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AS DIESEL-POWERED streamliners streak through the night over the nation's railroads, passengers in the club cars and bedrooms relax in the comforting thought that they are riding the world's safest rails.

A large measure of the credit for the outstanding safety record of American railroads belongs to members of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, who build and maintain the bridges and tracks of the greatest commercial transportation system on earth. Their skill and pride in performance of duty are responsible for keeping the gleaming steel rails which spider-web our nation in peak condition.

The Brotherhood, an affiliate of the AFL, had its birth in 1887, when a group of section foremen, led by John T. Wilson, met beneath an oak tree near Demopolis, Ala., to discuss formation of a benevolent association to provide joint assistance for members and their families in distress. As the union grew into a militant organization for protecting the interests of railroaders, a powerful and often unprincipled industry sought to destroy it by firing or otherwise punishing those who dared to reveal their membership.

But the Brotherhood survived many crises and continued its growth. Today, it is one of the strongest of the railway Brotherhoods and boasts a record of achievement for the past ten years which is unexcelled in labor history.

President of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees is T. C. Carroll. Its secretary-treasurer is A. Shoemaker. Both of these crusading unionists began their careers in section gangs.

The story of this union is an inspiring one, and we are happy to tell it in this issue of the Journal.

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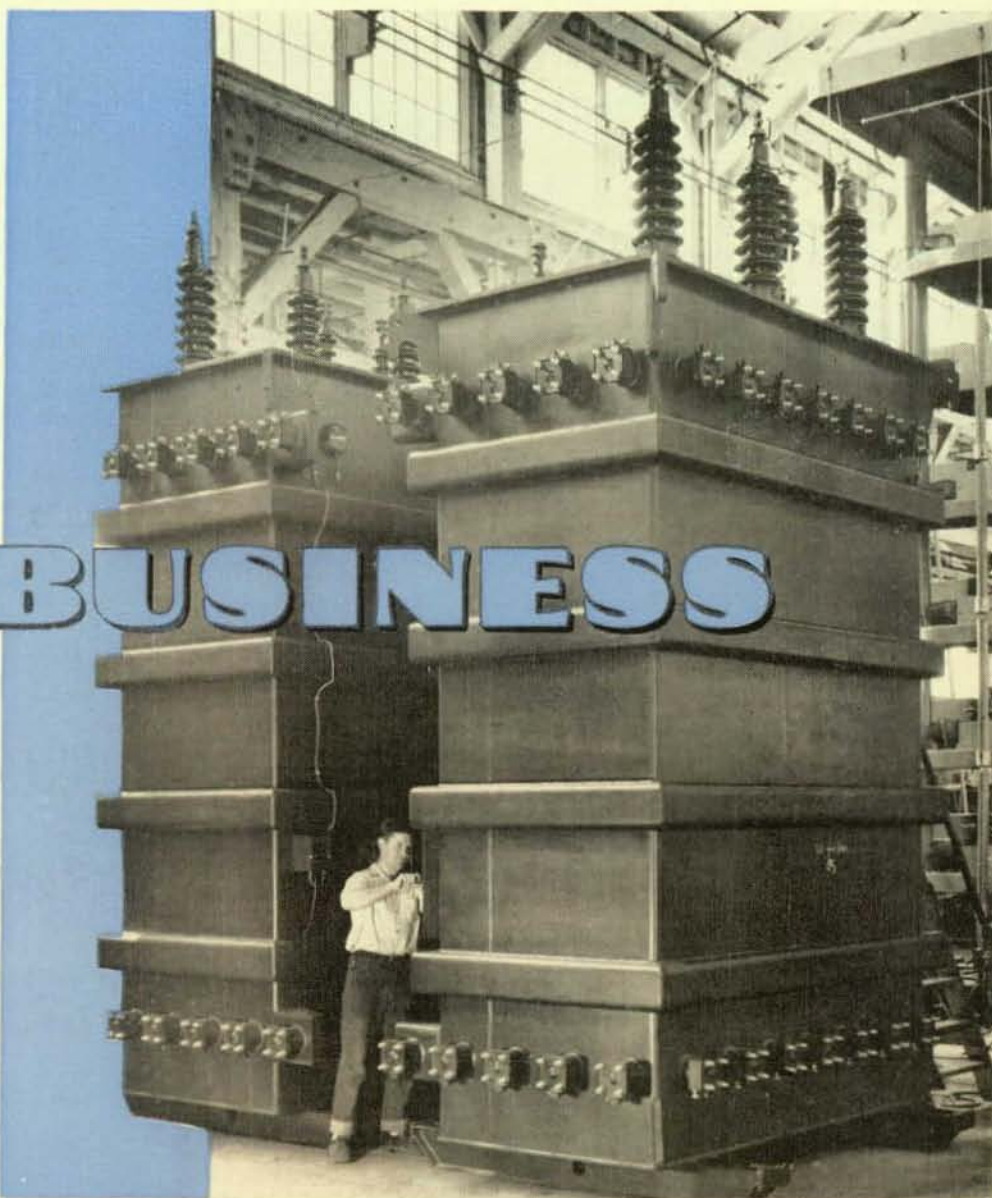
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ELECTRICAL MANUFACTURING IS **BIG BUSINESS**

ELECTRICAL manufacturing isn't just "big" business here in our United States, it's terrific business. Electrical manufacturing—wire and cable, telephone equipment, and appliances of all types, electronic instruments and equipment, TV, radio, phonographs and phonograph records—and all the other thousand and one separate fields that electrical manufacturing embraces, ranks high among the listed industry groups which had a capital expenditure amounting to \$11,141,000,000 last year. And there's good news ahead for all engaged in producing the major segment of the world's goods produced annually in the United States. A large publishing firm made a recent survey among manufacturing firms all over our country and came out with the decidedly encouraging report that in every major manufacturing field covered, industry plans to invest more in new plants and equipment in 1952 than ever before. In set figures manufacturing industries will put 16 percent more into new facilities this year than last. This means that the rush that started after Korea "isn't over by a long shot." In cold cash approximately two billion additional dollars will go into manufacturing capital expenditures this year.

So what! you who are reading



this article may be saying. This is an extremely important announcement for all who are interested in the affairs of the I.B.E.W. and its membership. The Brotherhood is expanding, Brothers and Sisters, and while it has thousands of members organized on a craft basis, it has approximately 300,000 members in utilities and manufacturing, organized on an industrial basis, from the "sweep up" boys to the most highly skilled workers.

We of the I.B.E.W. have something to give these workers—a strong union with more than 60 years experience in organizing and negotiating. We feel we can secure good wages and hours and conditions for all engaged in the

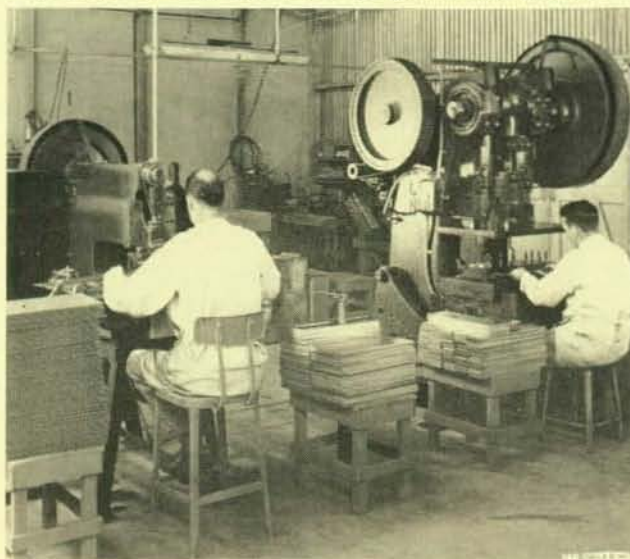
fields allied to electricity—we have done it with the 300,000—we can do it for others. And in turn we shall receive additional strength from these new loyal members.

So the fact that manufacturing industries plan a 16 percent expansion is good news to us all, not just to our people in manufacturing and our members in utilities—for whom manufacturing industries are the biggest customers.

We are proud of our members in manufacturing—the work they are doing and what they have accomplished. We seldom stop to think that before light and power can come into our homes and office buildings, schools and stores and churches, that thousands of



Above: Lorraine Arenson works at this line of jigs, gluing fronts and backs of plastic dolls. Below: Lawrence Morrell, right, and co-worker are punching and finishing electrical panels. Morrell is using a fifty-ton press to punch out pattern.



over the United States. On these pages in your JOURNAL this month, we bring you in pictures and story, a thumb nail description of a typical I.B.E.W. manufacturing local—Local Union 892 of San Francisco.

This local union has a modern, attractive well-run office. Its business manager, George T. Quinn, is an alert organizer-negotiator who is always "on the ball" as are his two assistants, Hugo Zunino and Joe Matkovich. Three competent young women, Lillian Gallin, Ruth Marks and Jean Cassidy, keep office procedures moving smoothly and attend to all the paper work that goes into the management of a local union office.

Local Union 892 has approximately 2,000 members employed in some 50 shops throughout the city and surrounding area. Needless to say, we couldn't visit them all, even as much as we would have liked to. However, we toured as many as possible and came away from them with a very definite impression of our members of Local Union 892. They were alert, interested in their work, skilled. One had only to watch agile fingers expertly connecting and soldering the myriad of wires on

Below: working on the final assembly section of a plant producing carrier equipment are members Marjorie Peters, Betty Rafael, Goldie Dudley, Marie Doremus and P. Marino.

workers have labored to create the equipment that makes lighting and power possible. Before a single motor can turn in a factory anywhere, here are a few of the people who make its operation possible: electric motor assemblers and testers, armature winders and testers, coil and magnet winders, electric motor repairmen. And behind the thousands of electrical appliances which make life easier for us all, are electrical engineers and designers, pattern makers, molders, core makers, electroplaters, polishers, buffers, electric machine operators, testers, troubleshooters, packers, laborers and many more.

We have many manufacturing locals in cities large and small all



intricate telephone carrier equipment to realize the training and ability of our Brothers and Sisters in the manufacturing field.

It may seem strange to some of our readers to learn that at the first plant we visited, our members were not making electrical equipment but a number of various items, including small doll babies with moveable eyes, Tri-Pak gun cleaning sets and identification badges.

This plant had been organized during the war and our I.B.E.W. members employed there had turned out more than eight-and-a-half million bomb fuse components, and received an Army-Navy "E" award. When the war was over and the demand for the war goods item diminished, the shop owners sought other useful work for their employes. Mr. L. E. Faber, one of the owners of the Precision Manufacturing Company, was high in his praise of the I.B.E.W. "I never fail to praise your union," he said. "It's just a high-grade outfit." It was nice to hear such fine comments about our union and its membership and on the other hand, our people had a good word for their employer too. As one I.B.E.W. member put it, "I wish all our members had such nice employers."

The die-shop was an interesting part of this tour. Here we saw skilled I.B.E.W. men making the molds and dies from which thousands and thousands of parts would be made.

We watched Local Union 892 members operating a big \$24,000 press. A plastic compound that looked something like "grape-nuts" was put into the press (we understand it was Acetate Butyrate and comes in 19,000 different shades) and came out in sheets of small heads, torsos, arms and legs, to be assembled into small doll babies.

The various steps in the making of other items—gun kits, badge holders, etc., were equally interesting.

This was a pleasant shop, well managed, with happy people. Incidentally the owners buy coffee in 100 pound lots so that there



Above: L.U. 892 switchboard industry membership meeting. Below: Apprenticeship committee of L.U. 892. Left to right are Apprentice H. Meyn; B.M. G. Quinn; Chairman C. Barkis; Secretary H. Williamson, Chief, Apprenticeship Standards, Archie Mooney; Employer Frank Boyce, D.A.V. Rep. Frank Curley.



Right: Ray O'Leary operates machine which makes screws to be used in the Marchand calculators.

will be plenty available for "coffee periods" for the employes. Many handicapped persons have been employed in this shop—some crippled, several blind or with extremely poor eyesight, some deaf and dumb. We watched one deaf and dumb girl skillfully operating a large press.

The next shop visited was "Flu-



orescent Fixtures of California," makers of "All-Brite" fluorescent fixtures. This was a big shop and we saw fixtures in every stage of manufacture — watched trained hands cut out, wire, spot weld, install transformers and spray-paint the streamlined lights.

I.B.E.W. men operated the huge cutting presses as easily as they would a paper cutting gadget in an office. Aware of the dangers involved, warning signs were posted all around "Watch Your Partner!" One young man operating a mammoth press, could tell us nothing about it. You see, he had just arrived from Italy and he spoke no English, but he knew how to run a press and he knew about unions and had wanted to join ours immediately.

Lynch Carrier Systems, Inc., was visited next. It was here that we watched Local 892 members in the process of manufacturing complicated telephone carrier equipment. Here the work was intricate, skilled, tedious. The employees make cable harnesses and then wire them into the complex confused-looking maze of wires which is anything but confused and which enables telephones to give their efficient service by permitting transmission of many telephone conversations over a single circuit. This carrier equipment is not mass-produced but custom-built. Each group of equipment is built to serve a special need.



Member T. Marjan attaches end brackets and terminal boards to carrier equipment chassis.



Using modern machinery, Arthur Waugh engraves calibrated dial used on carrier equipment.

Butler-Hammer, Inc., manufacturers of switchboard equipment, was visited next. Local Union 892 President Harry Harvey explained to us that things had been pretty hectic in their shop in the past few days for they were finishing up 15 intricate panel boards for various power plants which had been promised in five weeks time. These panel boards are custom-built to blue-print specification. Those installed in factories control motors, heating, fans, washers, air conditioning, etc.

We next went to Sierra Electronics Corporation. Here too, our members manufacture carrier equipment. We should like to tell



Mary Lee Kreuger is a steady and satisfactory punch-press operator despite a handicap. She is deaf-mute I.B.E.W. member.

Below: General view of toy plant under I.B.E.W. contract which is one of the largest plastic doll producers.



Above: Assembling the I.B.E.W.-made components in a gun-cleaning kit. All parts of this kit were produced by the plant under contract.



Above: IBEW girls wiring fluorescent fixtures.

Right: Other members at work in booths spraying finish on the fixtures.

Far right: Members are skilled hands at many jobs, such as grinding snug fit to angle iron.

Below: Member Armando Dini is dwarfed by huge break he operates.



you a little about this plant for it is a perfect example of how far union electric shops have come in improved conditions and surroundings. Years ago, it may have been that manufacturing workers toiled away in dark, airless, poorly-lighted rooms. Today the plants in which I.B.E.W. members work are much more apt to be along the line of Sierra Electronics, of which the business manager of Local 892 writes "This plant is one of the most modern in the West. Our relations with the company are of the very best."

Outside as well as in, this plant is attractive and "easy on the eyes." The visitor arriving at Sierra Electronics' entrance is impressed with the beautiful modern building painted in soft shades of cream, green-gray and terra cotta. Shrubs and trees are growing in the patio where many of the employees eat their luncheon.

Inside, the entire set-up has been arranged to make communication between departments easy



—administrative offices are in the northeast wing and directly adjoin the large laboratory and drafting room which in turn communicate directly with the machine shop, metal shop, stock room, spray-painting, assembly and testing areas.

Given even more complete consideration than communication in the layout, was good lighting because of the intricate nature of the assemblies and components handled here. The long narrow plan permits very high levels of daylight illumination from the high windows placed along both sides. This is augmented by carefully-placed cold-cathode fixtures. In every work area, fluorescent fixtures have been strategically placed over each work bench and piece of machinery according to the requirements set by the tenants of each of these work areas.

To make the most of the light supplied and to prevent glare and strain on employees' eyes, concrete curtain walls in the work areas are painted soft gray-green.

The entire plant has been designed to promote best working conditions and most efficient production methods. From the standpoint of beauty as well as function this plant is significant and was selected to be entered in the third national competition for honor awards sponsored by the American Institute of Architects in Chicago in 1951.

Our I.B.E.W. members are proud of Sierra Electronics and many others where they work and where working surroundings are pleasant, relations with employers are excellent and wages and hours can run competition to the best in the country.

Space will not permit us to write more of Local Union 892 and the shops in which our members work, but we have tried to bring you a brief picture here of electrical manufacturing as it exists for a typical manufacturing local of our Brotherhood. One only needs a moment of reflection to appreciate the great and growing importance of electrical equipment in this elec-

trical age we live in today. From the mighty turbines of huge dams like Grand Coulee, right down to the light bulb that illuminates our homes, or the hundred and one gadgets that make modern life easier today, one electrical device or another plays a vital role in every phase of our modern industrial civilization. American industry is approximately 90 percent electrified and new fields are constantly expanding. Just witness the tremendous growth of television in the past five years.

Yes electrical manufacturing is big business. To the young person selecting a vocation or profession, a career in this industry represents one in which the opportunities to achieve and serve are already vast and are going to grow larger with the years.

And as electrical manufacturing increases and expands, I.B.E.W. members will increase and expand with it, securing the best possible working conditions for its Brothers and Sisters in the industry. As

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Above: John Houdashelt assembles equipment in carrier plant.

Right: Complicated panel of switches begins to take on shape under hands of IBEW members J. Sullivan, Jim Ryan.

Left: This girl is intent as she puts another component in place in carrier manufacture.



Above: Working on a jig made by pegs placed on wiring diagram, Virginia Parke uses coded wire to fabricate a cable harness to be fitted in carrier equipment. The job requires much patience.

"I've Been Working on the Railroad All the Live Long Day . . ."

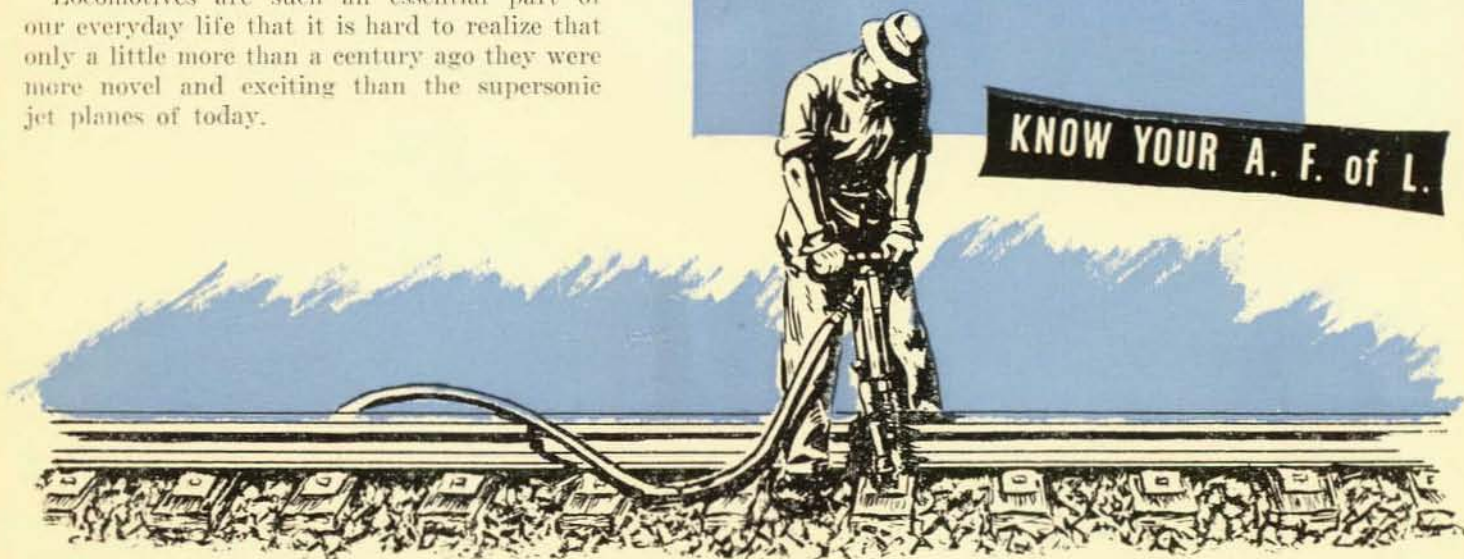
This is a song that has been sung by many people for many years and it symbolizes a great industry—a 28-billion dollar industry made up of men and rails and the "Iron Horse," rich in history and tradition and closely connected with the building of our golden West.

America possesses the largest railroad system in the world. Over its 227,000 miles of line two-thirds of the nation's freight is hauled. Thus the railroad industry is a giant in the American enterprise system employing about one and a half million workers and nearly two million cars and locomotives.

Locomotives are such an essential part of our everyday life that it is hard to realize that only a little more than a century ago they were more novel and exciting than the supersonic jet planes of today.

The TRACKMEN'S STORY

KNOW YOUR A. F. of L.



This special crew in a rail gang is using bull tongs to hoist into place a 1430-pound, 39-foot-long rail. Eighteen men work side by side on job.



Welding operator builds up frog by the oxy-acetylene process.

The railroad story was born back in England on September 27, 1825, for on that memorable day, an engineer opened the throttle on "Locomotion No. 1" and it went puffing down a track at the incredible speed of 10 miles an hour, pulling a train of 34 "waggon." Thus was the Stocton and Darlington, the first railroad in the world for general commercial hauling, "open for business" and it opened too, the way to a new world—a world where space was shrunk and loads were lightened and where for the first time in history there was the definite possibility of moving the abundance of one community to a community scarce in the product, and returning with a load of what said community had to offer—and all at a reasonable cost.

Construction of the first commercial railroad in the United States began on July 4, 1828 at Baltimore, Maryland, when ninety-year-old Charles Carroll, last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence, broke the ground for the laying of the cornerstone of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad—an act he said was "second only in importance to the signing of the Declaration of Independence, if second even to that."

However the business of railroading didn't begin in earnest in the United States until 1830. The

attention of the public was first directed forcibly toward railroading in that year when a small steam engine, the "Tom Thumb" raced a horse-drawn car at Baltimore, Maryland. Unfortunately it had a break-down and lost the race. It is remembered nevertheless, as one of the first American-built locomotives to transport passengers for hire and the year 1830 saw the beginning of a great railroad era. In that year two commercial railroads, the Baltimore and Ohio and the South Carolina Railroad (now a part of the Southern Railway System) started operation.

On January 7, 1830, the B. and O. transported the first paying passengers ever to travel on a railroad in the United States. On May 24, 1830, the road between Baltimore and Ellicott's Mills, Maryland—a distance of about 13 miles, was opened for regular freight and passenger traffic. But at that time, instead of steam engines to pull its trains of flanged-wheeled cars over the road of rails, the B. and O. was using horses!

However, in the last days of the year 1830, on the South Carolina Railroad, the "Best Friend of Charleston," first American locomotive built for regular service, pulled its first train of cars on a track here on this continent.

From that day on, growth was rapid. At first the links in our railroad network were small separate lines only a few miles long. They were built in the Northeastern and Middle Atlantic States where most of our people lived. The early railroads were all built outwards from big cities in order to reach as large a surrounding area as possible and bring more trade to the city. By the mid 1840's, all the little short lines were beginning to form a network, joining such cities as Boston and Buffalo which had previously been many days' journey apart.

It was also during the forties that railroad building west of the Alleghenies began and it progressed so rapidly that by mid 1850, both Chicago and St. Louis had through rail connection with New York. In 1869, the most dramatic event in railroad history took place, for on May 10 of that year, the famous golden spike was driven at Promontory, Utah, which joined the Union Pacific line from the West with the Central Pacific line from the East signaling the completion of the first transcontinental railway.

From then on the story is one of rapid progress and development. As the railroads grew so did our nation. As the rails crept west-



Trackwalker, watchman of right-of-way, tightening a rail joint.



With exactness born of many years of experience, maintenance of way employe spots up track on the C & O main line. Note the well-kept ballast.



When violent floods rip away rail bridges, maintenance crews must work around the clock to restore service. Above photos show railmen at work on temporary trestle after Devil's River in West Texas had washed away a key span on Southern Pacific line. Above, a crane lowers a bucket of concrete. At upper right, men pour concrete footings for trestle.



ward, the frontier was gradually pushed back farther and farther until there were no frontiers and within the short space of a century, the railroads transformed a vast wilderness into a great nation. As one writer so aptly put it, the history of railroads is a history of the United States.

And behind the railroads—behind every foot of track and every train that rolls, are workers—workers who created the railroads that have contributed so much to the making of our nation. We want to tell you particularly in this issue of your *Journal* about one large important segment of that working force—the Maintenance of Way Employees.

Every two and one half seconds of the day and night somewhere in the United States a train starts on its journey and another pulls into its terminal. Millions of passengers and tons of freight pass safely over the rails to and from their destinations and there is never a thought of fear—yet a cracked rail, a loosened bolt could derail a train and destroy its cars. But because there is a huge force of careful, vigilant workers, who have devoted their lives to making rails and roadbeds safe for travel, Americans journey confidently from place to place, knowing that their train will arrive safely.

If one locomotive engineer traveled over all the track in the

Trackmen at left operate mechanical spike-puller on the Pennsy. Vast technological advancements have been made in the track maintenance field during the recent years.



This ballast-tamping machine is one of late track developments.



Practiced eye of section foreman checks rail for possible flaw.

United States, he would have to cover more than 400,000 miles. He would cross nearly 200,000 railroad bridges and go through 1,500 tunnels. To maintain these tracks and structures and make the trips of all engineers possible, more than 200,000 Brothers of the Maintenance of Way Employees are kept busy day after day.

If no one repaired the railroad tracks for a single month, practically all trains would have to stop operating. Broken wrecks of derailed cars and locomotives would mark where loosened nuts, cracked rails and washed out roadbeds had caused disaster. But fortunately such scenes are few and far between. Railroads have an outstanding safety record and officials are quick to pay tribute to their Maintenance of Way Employees for the great contribution they have made. It is their job to inspect and repair roadways, tracks and ties, day after day, in every kind of weather so that the trains of our nation will keep rolling on rails that are straight and strong.

Let us consider here, the jobs which the approximately 260,000 of our Brothers on maintenance of way perform. President Carroll of the Maintenance of Way Employees said recently "Before a house or a building can be built, a solid foundation must of necessity be laid. It is the same in the railroad industry and the tracks and bridges are that foundation." There are many Maintenance



of Way Employees who perform specialized tasks but the backbone of this major segment of the railroad industry is the track work force, popularly known as "section gangs." These workers perform all work in connection with the construction, maintenance or dismantling of roadway and track, such as rail laying; tie renewals; ballasting, lining and surfacing track; maintaining and renewing frogs, switches, and railroad crossings; ditching, sloping and widening cuts; right of way fences; snow and sand fences; mowing and cleaning; brush cutting; patrolling and watching.

The building of new sections of railroad are often monuments of engineering—for sometimes they must go through hills, over mountains and rivers and even under them. Wherever trains must go, Maintenance of Way men are

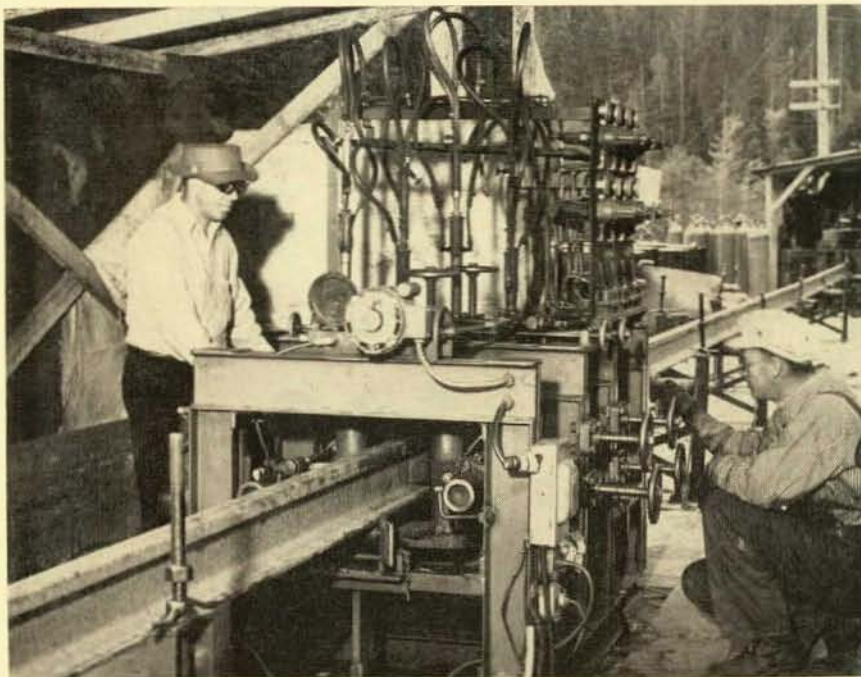
there, laying the rails so that the "Iron Horse" may keep rolling. Laying the rail begins first with moving the dirt—that is "grubbing a way" and grading it ahead of the track. It is the never-ending job of keeping open the ditches and drainage which are necessary to keep the foundations of track dry and firm. But it takes more than ditching and drainage to keep the bottom of track dry. Ballast does this. Of course there is a complicated process of overlapping subgrade with sub-ballast and then the ballast proper but the principle is that inches of porous material—gravel, screenings, coarse sand or cinders serves as a drainage medium and of course the ballast has the double duty of supporting the ties and holding them in proper position. Crushed stone and gravel are used extensively for ballast, and cinders have always been considered good ballast and have been widely used in the maintenance work on railroads. Cinders have been so long connected with ballast, that a well-known book on railroading reports that the first reaction of one old-time maintenance man to the proposal to electrify his railroad was a scornful query—

"Electrify!" he snorted. "Electrify! and then where in hell are you going to get your cinders!"

Next come the tracks and the crossties holding them together (3,000 of these to a mile). This laying of the track would make a fascinating story all by itself,



Rails above are being squared and smoothed at ends in preparation for the continuous-rail process, a method of welding together sections of track, thereby eliminating bolting. Oxwell machine does the job.



Above, under a pressure of 2500-2700 pounds per square inch two rail ends are heated to a temperature of 2300 degrees Fahrenheit. After five minutes of heat weld is completed. Below rail is unloaded from flat cars.



but space will not permit detail as to the precision with which it is laid, how curves are made and the literally tons and tons of bolts and bars that hold all together.

Roadway work will always be real "men's" work. However recent developments on machines and tools have simplified and speeded the work tremendously. Roadway maintenance still involves much manual labor, but corps of machine operators and helpers are gradually replacing the gangs of trackmen with picks and shovels, long a familiar sight on any railroad. Cranes and lifting devices handle rails and heavy material. Mechanical multiple tampers make much of the work easier, as do the spike pullers, power wrenches, ballast cleaning "moles," bulldozers and numerous other machines.

The regular, year-round track work force "section gangs" are crews of about five or six men and a foreman. They are responsible for day-to-day maintenance of sections of a railroad line which average about nine miles in length but may range from two miles to more than 30, depending on whether or not the line has more than one track and how heavy the traffic is. Either the foremen themselves or certain section men designated as "track walkers" make regular inspections, looking for cracked rails, weak ties, washed-out ballast and other defects. Crews make the repairs under the supervision of the foremen.

The trackman must be an intelligent skilled workman subject to call at any hour of the day or night. He is the first called in time of wrecks, storm or obstacles and the last to take one final look to see that the foundation of the railway industry is again in safe and workable condition for the resumption of railway operation.

There is much to be told about Maintenance of Way Workers—they are an interesting group and the work they do is extensive, but we must hurry on to tell you something of their fine union and what it has done through the years not just for its own members but for the improvement of



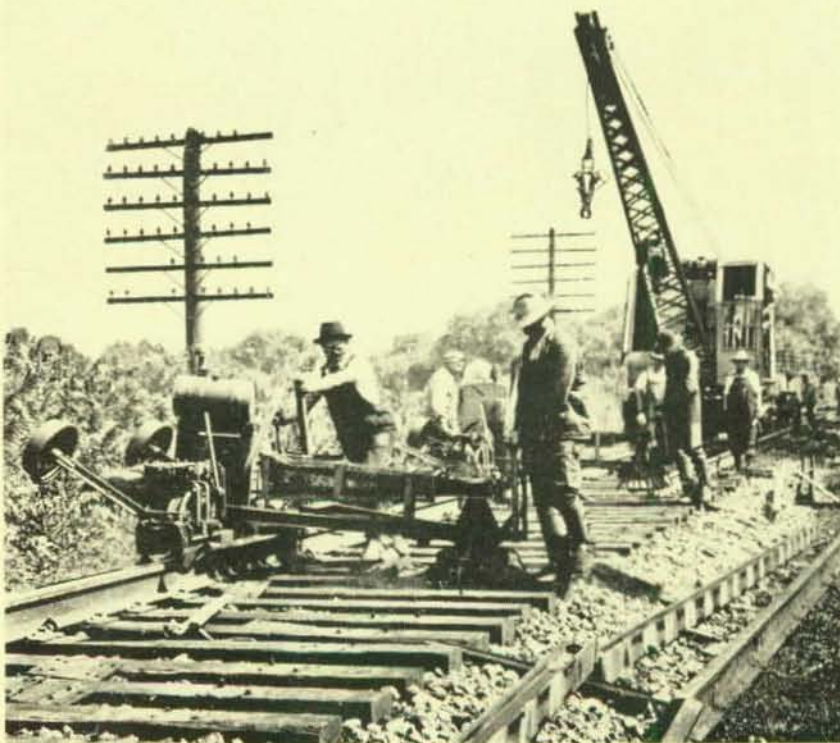
the conditions of workers in all phases of the railroad industry.

Labor organization among railroad workers has always been one of the strongest to be found anywhere. Those entering the railroad industry find a pretty tightly-knit organization and most workers belong to it. The railroad workers have stood staunchly for their labor unions and this strength has netted them better conditions through the years. Wage rates, hours of work, seniority, apprenticeship and many other matters affecting their jobs are universally established by contracts arrived at through collective bargaining between the unions and the railroad companies.

The Brotherhood of Mainte-



Working in a stiff breeze, high above a mountain creek, building crewmen lock into position a 96-foot girder for center span of bridge on Great Northern.



Rail-laying gang at left uses two modern devices—an adzing machine and a Burro rail crane. The crane can be moved off and on track under its own power.

nance of Way Employees had its beginning 65 years ago, in 1887 when a group of section foremen, led by John T. Wilson, met beneath a big oak tree near Demopolis, Alabama and organized the Order of Railroad Trackmen. They probably held high dreams of progress for their tiny organization, but certainly they did not expect to make the tremendous strides that have brought them to where they stand today. The year previous a similar group under the leadership of Section Foreman Samuel J. Pegg, organized the Brotherhood of Railway Section Foremen of North America. In October 1891 the latter group affiliated with the Wilson followers and named the new order the International Brotherhood of Railway Track Foremen of America. Several years later another group



Track-laying gangs at work on Canadian Great Northern R.R.



Close-up of Burro crane in action above, shows a length of rail being lowered into place under watchful eyes of foreman. Safe rails mean safe trains. SP crew below offers striking example of muscular teamwork.



known as the Independent Order of Railway Trackmen, came into existence but affiliated with the first two in 1896, when the name was again changed to the Brotherhood of Railway Trackmen of America with Wilson remaining as president.

Efforts to organize the maintenance of way department in Canada first took place on the Canadian Northern, now the Canadian National Railway. In 1900, this group was affiliated with the United States organization and became the International Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees.

Eighteen years later, still another group from Greensboro, North Carolina decided to cast its lot with the growing organization founded by Wilson. This time, the name was changed to United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop Laborers, but, in 1925 the convention decided to shorten that by dropping "united" and "railway shop laborers," and the present name has stood unchanged for better than a quarter of a century.



Water is an essential in railroad operations. Here, skilled mechanics inspect a "stand pipe" where locomotives take on their water supply.



and necessities of war, he was given the job of directing the rails to assure maximum efficiency. In 1917 he addressed a note of encouragement to workers on the subject of joining unions. This reassured the workers, and membership in the Brotherhood soared to new heights.

Encouraged by the new-found strength, the union succeeded two years later in winning its first national agreement. System divisions were established on newly-organized lines, wage increases were won and the eight-hour day was realized in the rail industry.

After the war, however, the railroads reverted to private control and to their old tactics of trying to wipe out unions. Wages were slashed. Then the rail magnates seized upon a plan to drive a deeper wedge into the injured labor unions, and organized company unions and employees had to join these or lose their jobs. This was the darkest period in the history of the Maintenance of Way Brotherhood and complete defeat seemed inevitable, but a handful of courageous men under the leadership of President F. J. Fljoldal, succeeded in dissolving the company unions, one by one, and slowly building the Brotherhood to a position of bargaining strength once again.

The union was well on the road to recovery when the depression of 1929 struck without warning. Mass layoffs cut a deep sector

from the membership ranks but still courageous leaders fought to hold the union together and they succeeded.

The amendments to the Railway Labor Act in 1934, outlawing company unions and protecting the employees' right to organize brought new encouragement to the union, and once more the Brotherhood moved forward. It was not until 1937 however, that a general increase was won.

Once again, the Brotherhood found itself strong enough to make its pressures felt, and sought to win legislation beneficial to railroad workers. With other railway unions, the Maintenance of Way Brotherhood succeeded in having the Railroad Retirement Act passed, which for the first time, provided security for railroad workers in the years when they could no longer work. This assurance of security was an impetus to inspire the membership with new enthusiasm. In 1941, a 10-cent hourly increase ushered in a decade of progress for the Brotherhood unparalleled in labor history. In 1942, workers under the union's jurisdiction received their first paid vacations. Next came a long-dreamed-of-victory—new rules governing Sunday, holiday and double-time pay for overtime.

More raises were forthcoming and then in 1949, the Maintenance of Way Brothers and other co-operating rail unions scored one of the historic victories of the labor movement. They succeeded in winning a 40-hour week, which had long been denied rail workers, with no reduction in pay from the 48-hour schedule.

Another milestone in the Brotherhood's progressive history came through the concerted efforts of the chief executives of the Railway Labor Organizations which brought about the Union Shop in the railroad industry, through an amendment to the Railway Labor Act.

Yes the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees has come a long way in its 65 years. Its membership is way past the 200,-

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It was rough going during the early 1900's for the struggling young organization. Like our own organization, their "headquarters" in those days was a single drab room in a small hotel in St. Louis, Missouri. Headquarters were not moved to Detroit, Michigan until 1913. President Wilson died in 1908 leaving the group without a strong guiding hand, but in December of that year, A. B. Lowe, also a man of courage and foresight was elected president.

No workers had a harder time in those early days than the members of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way. The Railroad industry was big and powerful. Attempts of the union to organize workers were crushed by management at every opportunity, but the determined pioneers of the Brotherhood refused to be discouraged. Progress was slow for employees were reluctant to join a labor organization because they feared reprisals in wage cuts and firings by management, events which had become prevalent on some railroad properties.

When the nation was forced into World War I, however, William Gibbs McAdoo became director-general of the American railroads. Under the pressures



Protect Your Future

Brothers and Sisters, you have read much on the pages of your JOURNAL in recent months about the importance of "BA" members coming over to "A" membership. Why? Why do your International Officers harp away month after month on the old familiar subject? Why do we care? Per capita to maintain your headquarters and provide for our organizing campaigns, expenses of negotiation, etc. is the same for "BA" as it is for "A" membership. And the more "A" members we have, the greater becomes our responsibility to see that our Pension Fund and our Death Benefit Fund are safe and secure, so that the I.B.E.W. will never default on a single payment or disappoint a single member who has paid through the years into those funds. Why then?

The answer is a simple one. We are a Brotherhood and as such are dedicated to securing the best possible life and the maximum security possible, for not just a segment of our people, but for every last member in our Brotherhood. Records and statistics we have before us constantly. They tell us that men and women are living much longer today than they used to live. The man or woman alive today at 65, has

an average life expectancy of 13 years and three months more. BUT statistics tell us something else, not so pleasant. Living longer, men and women need more money to maintain themselves. Living longer, savings are gone before the end of life is reached—social security payments are not enough, and so the working man and his dependent wife, or the working woman for that matter, those who have been independent all their lives, must depend on the charity of relatives, or on public relief for sustenance. A sad picture! How different a picture from that of the provident worker, who recognizes a good thing when he sees it and willingly pays \$2.80 a month for the security of a \$50-a-month pension at age 65 and a \$1000 death benefit. Two-dollars eighty cents a month now, when work is plentiful and wages good, may mean the difference 20 or 30 years from now of being comfortable—or—of being hungry.

Think it over, Brothers and Sisters. It means nothing to your International Officers except that by reminding you and warning you, we know we have performed the duty of looking out for your welfare, the way we promised to when you elected us to office.

A Job for You

Harry O'Reilly is the Director of Organization for the American Federation of Labor. He wrote an article the other day which he called simply, "ORGANIZE!" I wish every member of our Brotherhood could read and heed Mr. O'Reilly's admonitions.

He said among other things that in this year 1952, there are still millions of working men and women both in the United States and Canada, people in all sorts of occupations, who are "barely able to make ends meet because their wages are so low—and their wages are low because these workers are not part of the great family of organized labor." Mr. O'Reilly went on to add, "It is just as true today as it ever was in the past, that the non-union workers' low wages and poor conditions are a hindrance to the people who are organized. The sub-standard wages and conditions of the unorganized are a heavy drag on the organized workers."

What Mr. O'Reilly says is very true, and in our editorial comment on these pages, we want to urge every member of our Brotherhood to think about the vast army of workers yet unorganized—and then—to resolve to do something about them.

It is a fact that there are organizers on the staff of the A. F. of L. It is true that we have organizers on your own I.B.E.W. staff, but it is equally true—that you and you and you—the members of our Brotherhood—in electrical wiring or utility or telephone or manufacturing work—wherever you may be—you are our best organizers.

Some unorganized workers are "sold" on unionism through the efforts of paid organizers. But the vast majority are "sold" because Tom Jones or Mary Brown or Dick West, fellow workers or friends of theirs, are good union men and women, who know labor union philosophy, know the value of organization, they're sold on unionism themselves and they "sell" it to the others.

Readers, unionism has meant a great deal to the working men and women of this country. It lifted them out of the sweatshops and the slave mills of the early days and gave them dignity and independence and a better way of life because of decent wages and hours and working conditions.

What we have attained we should not be selfish with, we should want to share it with others. I think the mere card-carrying member is going to have a lot to answer for some day, because he has failed to share the benefits he has received with others less fortunate than himself. The penalty he may have to pay may perhaps be loss of his benefits and privileges, for unless this labor movement of ours is strengthened and nurtured by the fresh blood of new members, it will only be a matter of time before it will wither and die, or be destroyed by its ever-vigilant enemies.

So Brothers and Sisters, resolve today to be active members. Talk up your union. Tell others what it has accomplished through the years. Tell your friends and neighbors about the role the American Federation of Labor has played over the past seven decades in bringing about the tremendous economic advances it has to the working people of our country. If the new man or woman working next to you is non-union—"sell" him. You can do it! And remember, in "selling" unionism, you're only taking out insurance on your own security!

A Time Bomb Waits

A time bomb is set and waiting. It will explode when the labor market slackens and working people are least able to survive its blast. The waiting time bomb is the Taft-Hartley law. Smouldering along as it has since 1947, it has done irreparable damage in some instances where A. F. of L. members have been unable to maintain good pay and conditions because of the unfair restrictions of the Act. Anti-Union employers have tested the main weapons provided by the Act, in the courts. In the Supreme Court, four major tests were made of the worst union-wrecking provisions of the Act and in every case the Act was declared Constitutional. This occurred during good days of prosperity. Heaven help our union members subjected to the Act, if depression days come again. That smouldering time bomb must be extinguished!

There is only one way that this can be done—at the voting polls.

Our people must get over the feeling that the task is hopeless. It is not! In 1948, the American people replaced one of the worst Congresses in history with one of the best in our memory. Under that Congress, old-age benefits were increased, minimum wages were raised, public housing was passed for the first time and railroad workers obtained their first union shop. Sure, we slipped a little in 1950, but 1952 is the time to make up our losses with interest. The goal is not

so great—only nine more Senate seats and 34 additional House seats.

We can do it! Initial reports of the L.L.P.E. drive are good. If you haven't given your dollar—do it today. Do all you can to help candidates "favorable to our side." Get people registered—really work at it—work on your family first, then your fellow workers and friends. Remember in the last analysis, you're doing it for you! You're just making sure that you can keep what you have and go forward and not have the Taft-Hartley time bomb blast you and your working conditions and your decent way of life to kingdom come!

About the "Wetbacks"

There has been much written in our newspapers in the past year about "Wetbacks" and the terrific problem they have created in the Southwest section of our country.

Hearings are being held in Washington currently before a Senate Labor subcommittee headed by Senator Humphrey of Minnesota, on a report prepared by the President's Commission on Migratory Labor some time ago.

Reliable witnesses describe conditions which are difficult for those of us removed from areas where migratory workers are prevalent, to realize.

One member of the commission told of the "unspeakable" health conditions, of children of migrant farmers, who never get any milk and of many who are suffering from "ordinary starvation." In the city of San Antonio, alone, there are more than 14,000 children of school age who are not enrolled in any school. "Back of it all is simply poverty, with fathers working an average of 70 days a year, for a total average compensation of \$549. That is why women and children have to work," the witness stated.

And to make conditions even more terrible for the migrant workers, there are the "Wetbacks," Mexican laborers illegally smuggled in from Mexico. These workers will work for anything and dare not protest if they are not paid at all. So greedy employers hire the Mexican "Wetbacks," poor starved creatures, and American farm workers and their wives and children, deprived of the only livelihood they know, likewise starve.

Oh of course, there are laws. There are laws which provide severe penalties for anyone smuggling Mexicans over the border—but—they do get over, and there are no laws or penalties to prevent farmers from hiring them once they are here. Why even the mayor of one large Texas City has 50 "Wetbacks" working on his ranch.

Senator Douglas of Illinois, and Senator Humphrey of Minnesota and a few others are trying to amend the bill so that farm employers who hire "Wetbacks" can be punished. They should have our commendation and support for their humane action on this measure.

EVERY DAY I.B.E.W. men endanger their lives to bring light and power to citizens all over these United States and Canada—this is their routine work and they never regard their daily performance as anything but usual. However, ever so often we hear a story of Electrical Workers who have performed outstanding service over and above their regular hazardous trek of duty. Such is the story of the work of some of our Local Union 1245 members and their heroic rescue activities recently, which resulted in the untimely death of one.

A few weeks ago our newspapers and radio newscasts were headlining the plight of the snowbound streamliner, *City of San Francisco*, and her 226 passengers caught in the raging Sierra blizzard. And some of the accounts recorded the valiant efforts of three Pacific Gas and Electric Company "mountain men," operating a "Sno-Cat" to bring food and medical supplies through the blizzard to passengers of the ice-locked train and later rescuing passengers and crewmen, some of whom were stretcher cases. Jay Gold, Charley Swing and Ray Claytor labored for three days straight with no breaks to speak of, in their errand of mercy.

These three men were all stationed at Alta (17 miles west of Yuba gap) where Pacific Gas and Electric Company maintains a headquarters for crews, trucks and equipment.

Any time a storm came up, Ray, the foreman, Jay and Charley left their headquarters at Alta and went up to the 6000-foot level at Rainbow Tavern, because their job is to maintain the high-power lines to Nevada, 110,000 volt wires from P. G. & E. to the Sierra Pacific Power Company.

The boys were standing by at Rainbow, waiting in case something happened to the lines when the emergency call came through that the *City of San Francisco* was stuck and out of supplies and asking for a relief party to take in 700 pounds of food.

Outside, the blizzard was raging—visibility was practically nil and winds roared from 80 to 100 miles



These I.B.E.W. men, employed by the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. were first to reach stalled *City of San Francisco*. Left to right: Jay Gold, clerk driver; Ray Claytor, sub foreman, and Charlie Swing. Gold died two days after photo was made from attack brought on from exertion, exposure suffered during rescue efforts. Men's Sno-Cat in background.

an hour, but the three linemen started out. It was 4:30 p.m. They pushed the "Sno-Cat" through the driving snow—and on top of snow that was already more than 10 feet deep. Members of the Ski-Patrol had said they would bring the food as far as they could from Soda Springs, 10 miles away, and the "Sno-Cat" met them about half way, took in the food and began the first rescue trip to the marooned train. They made the six miles to within sight of the train at about 8:35 p.m. They couldn't get all the way in to the train, Ray explained, "because the phone lines were in the way—the snow was that high." So Ray Claytor got out and walked hip-deep to the train and informed Southern Pacific officials aboard that he had food. Thirty-five men from the section gang then accompanied him back to the "Sno-Cat," beating out a trail, and brought the food back on their backs.

When our men got back to Rainbow, they found that there was a broken switch at Tamarack Sub-

station. Ray set out in snowshoes to fix this—worked 48 hours straight on this "routine maintenance." Meanwhile Jay and Charley went back to the train taking in fresh water and as Jay recorded in his notebook "candy for the kids—I guess we took some in every trip."

And that went on for three days. Jay and Charley continued to make their trips of mercy, bringing in more food and medical supplies and transporting a doctor through the blinding snowstorm to give medical attention to the distressed passengers. And in the third day when the state snow plows opened the road, our men started evacuating train passengers and crew members.

This story should have a happy ending. It would but for one factor.

Thirty-three year old Jay Gold, driver of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's snow tractor, who worked for three days and two nights on his errand of mercy, is dead—the victim of an overworked

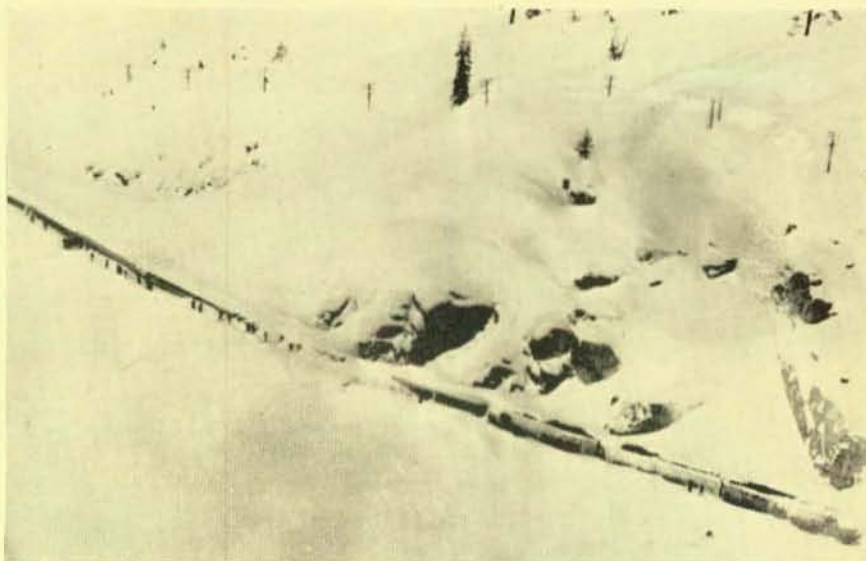
I. B. E. W. MEN ARE HEROES!

heart. Brother Gold was not well, had not been since the war and he knew it, but nevertheless, with utter forgetfulness of self, he kept right on working, till the rescue was over and the passengers safe. Then he went back to his regular job of patrolling Pacific Gas and Electric Company's power lines across the Sierra, with only the admission that "he was a little tired."

Those who knew Brother Gold told us that rescues were not new to him. In 1937, while a student at Placer Junior College, he and a friend entered a burning home in Auburn to rescue a six-year old boy. Two years later he pulled a man from under the wheels of a moving train in the railroad yards at Roseville.

During the war he served as a bomber pilot in Italy and North Africa, flew 35 missions and won an Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.

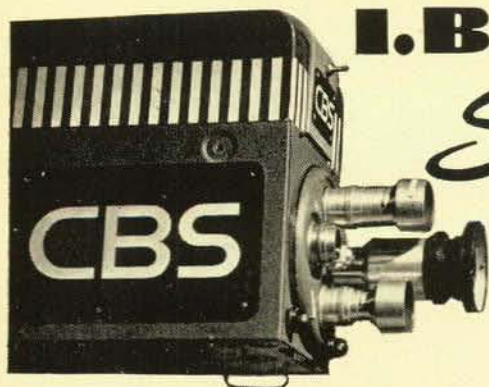
And that's the story of an I.B.E.W. hero. This one paid the supreme price. We have others who battle the elements every day, conquering high winds and rugged mountains and ice and blizzards but always keeping the power lines open.



Picture of snowbound City of San Francisco above taken by an Oakland Tribune photographer shortly after rescue operations began to remove 222 stranded passengers, virtually imprisoned for three and a half days.

Their ordeal over, passengers from snow-covered streamliner below are cheerful as they move past cars almost completely engulfed by snow. Photo made by San Francisco Chronicle photographer who skied to scene.





I.B.E.W.

Scores Tremendous Victory **in C.B.S. Election**



EARLY last Spring the Columbia Broadcasting System was notified of the desire of the Brotherhood that the CBS-IBEW agreement be opened for re-negotiation. This presented the opportunity for a question of representation to be raised by the National Association of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians (CIO), under the NLRB rules, and a petition was filed with the Regional Director of the NLRB in Chicago. This action has been responsible for nearly 10 months of delay in CBS-IBEW negotiations and was the opening gun in a typical CIO campaign to raid, disorganize and confuse organized labor. The IBEW has represented the technical employees of CBS since 1939.

When the representation petition was filed, the American Federation of Radio Artists (A.F. of L.) intervened to protect their interests in sound effects work at Chicago, the American Federation of Musicians (A.F. of L.) intervened to protect their work in turntable operation at St. Louis and Chicago, the International Alliance of Theatrical and Stage Employees (A.F. of L.) became an interested party because of their members who handle lighting and special visual effects at New York and Los Angeles and the IBEW was of course an interested party because of its long history of bargaining with CBS.

A hearing on the petition was held in Chicago and was recessed to further hearing in New York. Some 27 days and 614 pages of testimony later, the NLRB hearings were closed and briefs were filed. In the meantime, AFRA and the A.F. of M. withdrew from the case, satisfied that their interests

were going to be protected. During the latter part of the hearings, however, IATSE Local 776 filed a petition for representation of the film editors and cutters employed by CBS in its Los Angeles operation. A hearing was held in Hollywood on this petition and the record was incorporated in the record of the hearings on the "overall unit."

On December 17, 1951, the National Labor Relations Board issued its decision on the consolidated cases. Affecting some 880 eligible voters who work for the company in Boston, New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, San Francisco and Los Angeles, the Board found the over-all technical unit heretofore represented by the IBEW to be an appropriate unit for future bargaining. A second unit, composed of 30 professional engineers employed in research and development work in New York was given the choice of union membership, and a third unit composed of six film cutters and editors in Los Angeles was also given an opportunity to vote for or against union membership.

To make a long story short—the election was held in all the cities affected on January 24, 1952. Because of days off, leaves of absence, vacations and military leaves it was found necessary to have a portion of the voters cast their ballots by mail. Because of the delay of the mailed ballots, all ballots were counted in the office of the Regional Director in Chicago, Illinois, on January 31, 1952.

The vote turnout was quite remarkable—96.56 percent of the eligible voters had cast ballots! Of a total of 844, 815 votes were counted by the NLRB. Only two

of the 815 were void, six were challenged and 14 votes were cast for "no union."

The over-all technical unit voted more than three to one for IBEW. The IBEW received 75.76 percent of the votes, NABET-CIO received 21.77 percent and 1.72 percent voted for neither union. The professional engineers declined to be represented by any union, casting 17 votes for "no union," 11 for IBEW and none for NABET-CIO.

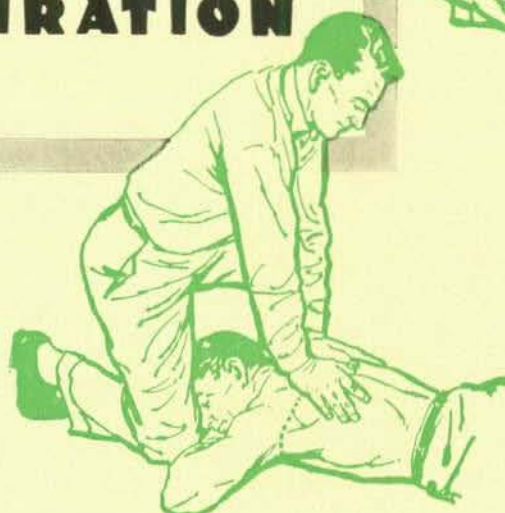
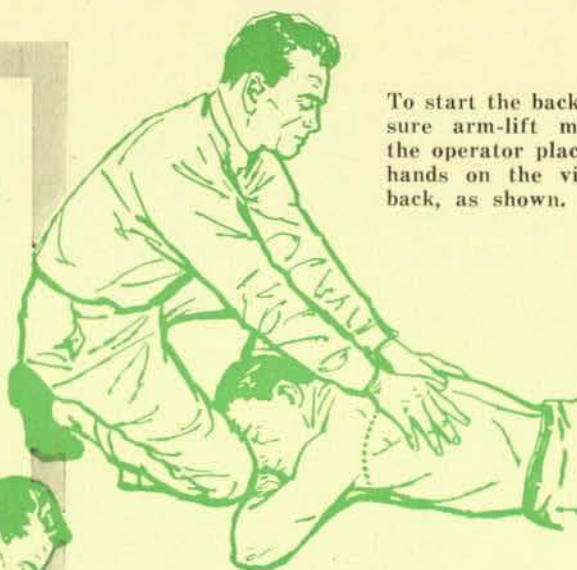
It is quite obvious that the result of the CBS election is a very substantial victory for the IBEW—and for the A.F. of L. And it is quite significant that the people in the industry do not consider the CIO as being an acceptable union. The CIO-patterned vertical unionism which NABET has attempted to set up in radio and television broadcasting is impractical, unwieldy and not in the best interests of the workers themselves. Because this organization was born as an independent (company) union in the NBC and ABC networks, its main strength is composed of the men who work for those companies. Any informed observer can see that it is only a matter of time until these strongholds will fall before the consolidated attacks of the A.F. of L. unions in the industry.

All A. F. of L. members can rejoice in the results of the CBS election—the forerunner of complete organization of the broadcasting industry. The IBEW is very appreciative of the support of the other A. F. of L. unions and can be justly proud of the record set by its own Local Unions 1212, 45, 1228, 1217, 1220, 202 and 1216, in the most significant victory in the radio and television industry years.

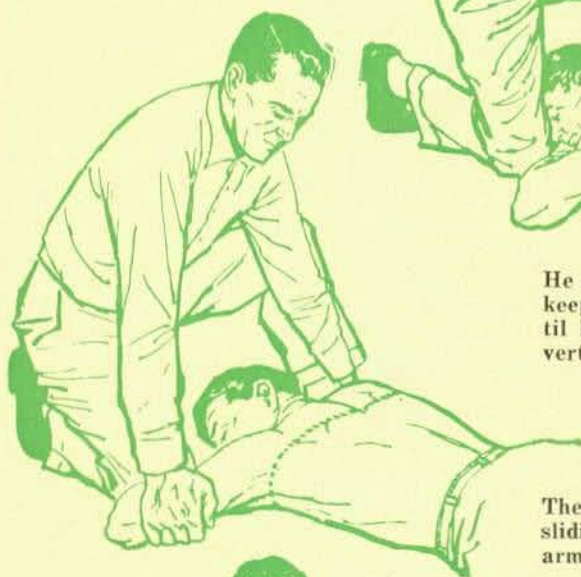
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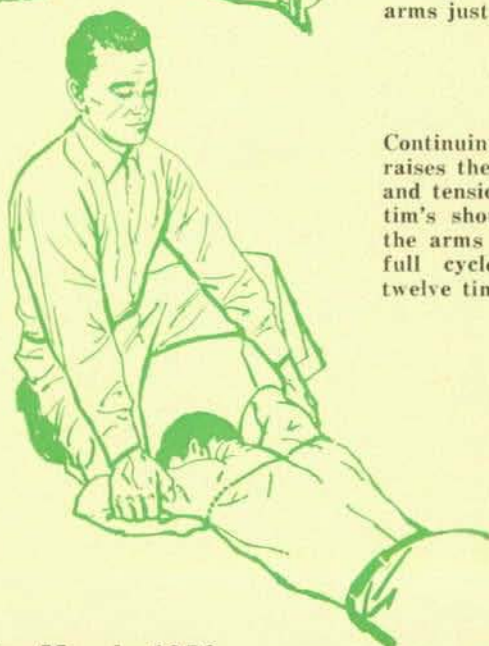
To start the back-pressure arm-lift method, the operator places his hands on the victim's back, as shown.



He then rocks forward slowly, keeping the elbows straight, until his arms are approximately vertical. Keep pressure on chest.



Then he rocks backward, slowly sliding his hands to the victim's arms just above elbows.



Continuing to rock backward, he raises the arms until resistance and tension are felt at the victim's shoulder. Then he drops the arms and thus completes a full cycle. This is repeated twelve times per minute.

FOR many years, the prevailing method of artificial respiration used in this country has been the "prone pressure" method. Now it is being superseded by the back-pressure arm-lift method, illustrated in the drawings on this page.

Research conducted into various methods by the armed services during the war showed that the prone pressure method was less effective in the amount of air exchanged. The latest big organization to switch to the back-pressure arm-lift method is the American Red Cross.

To start the cycle, the victim is placed face down in a prone position with arms overhead and bent at the elbows, one hand upon the other, and the head turned to one side so that the cheek rests on the hands. The rescuer, on one or both knees at the victim's head, places his hands on the victim's back, with thumbs just touching and the heels of the hands just below a line running between the victim's armpits. The rescuer rocks forward slowly, elbows straight, until his arms are almost vertical—exerting steady pressure upon the back. Next, the rescuer rocks backward slowly and slides his hands to the victim's arms, just above the elbows, which are raised until resistance is felt at the victim's shoulders—then, the arms are dropped. This completes a full cycle, which is repeated 12 times a minute.



A DAY CAN COST YOU \$3,180

A Delay in Transferring to an 'A' Membership Can Be That Expensive, So Beat May 1 Deadline

MAY FIRST is fast approaching, Brothers and Sisters, and that's the deadline date for change-over to "A" membership to obtain full benefits of \$50 a month at age 65 after 20 years continuous standing. Transfer April 30—okay. Transfer May 1, and you stand to lose \$3,180. That's a pretty expensive delay wouldn't you say?



Where does the \$3,180 come in? Well, we figure the average life expectancy today for those who have reached age 65, as 13 years, three months. Suppose you are a "BA" member, 45 years old now, and you transfer to "A" membership this month or anytime prior to May 1. In the next 20 years before you reach retirement age you will pay \$672 (\$2.80 a month) for your pension and death benefit. Living out your estimated span of life, you can expect to collect \$8,950 (\$7,950 in pension benefits plus \$1,000 death benefit). You may live longer, many of our retired members have been drawing pension 20 years. (Incidentally, this is better than a 1331 percent return on your investment!)

Your friend, same age, waits. He transfers after

the May 1 deadline. He too will pay in \$672 and he too will reap great benefits in proportion, but he will draw only \$4,770 in pension benefits, plus his \$1,000 payment at death if he lives his expected span—or \$3,180 less than you will draw.

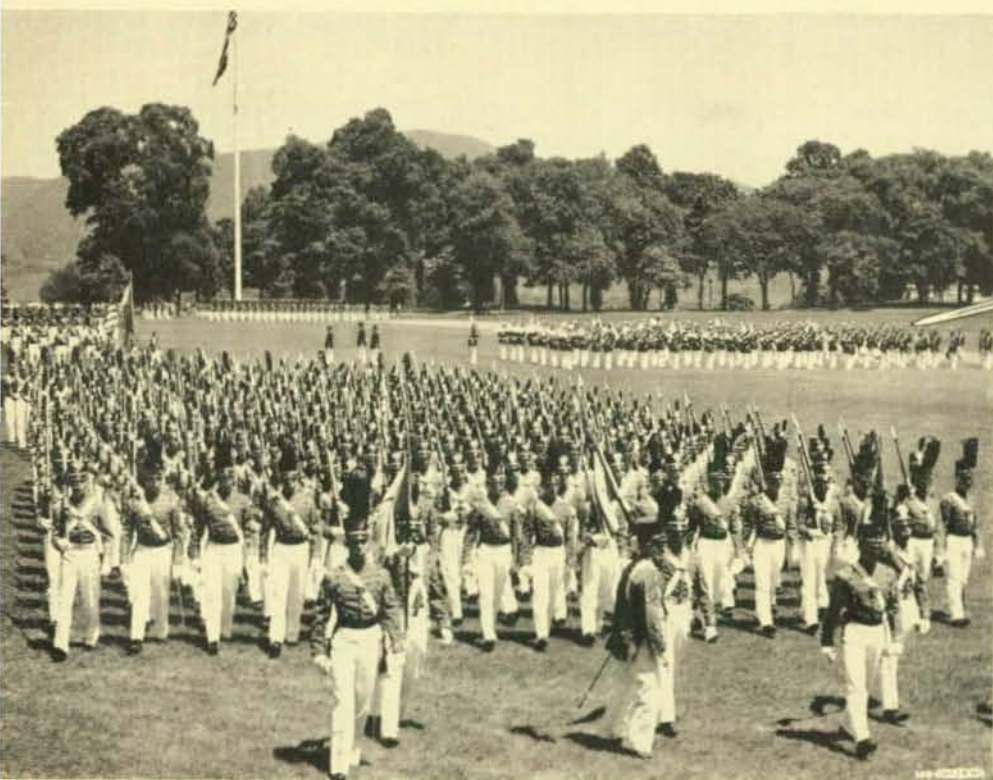
So readers, this is just one more little reminder to hurry. To quote a colloquialism, "Time's a wastin'." Less than two months remains to come over to "A" before that deadline is upon you.

We don't think you'll ever regret taking "A" membership. We showed you last month in a comparative insurance table how much you are getting in return for your small investment. Our employers are bearing half the cost of our pensions or the I.B.E.W. could not continue to pay the amount of pension it does from the \$1.60 paid by "A" members to the pension fund monthly. And you who become "A" members, you are getting something for nothing! Seems sort of crazy not to take advantage of an offer like this when you get right down to it, doesn't it?

The deadline date fast approaches. Better not wait!



This is WEST POINT



ONE hundred-fifty-three years ago, a great man lay dying. He called for pen and ink that he might write a last official letter on a subject close to his heart. The letter was written and addressed to Alexander Hamilton; its subject, the formation of a United States Military Academy; the writer was George Washington and two days later, the Father of his Country was dead.

But the dream that he fostered—whereby a strong military school where officers to train the armies of America could themselves be trained—did not die, and two years later on March 16, 1802, the United States Military Academy was authorized by Congress.

And thus this year 1952 marks the Sesquicentennial of West Point—one hundred fifty years of "Duty - Honor - Country," the motto of the United States Cadet Corps. And this year in brilliant celebrations covering a six-month period from January fifth to the end of "June Week," the great and the small will pay tribute to

a great institution and to its graduates—men who have made outstanding contributions to the development and preservation of this nation. Drawn from every state in the Union, graduates and former cadets have devoted their lives to serving their country.

The choice of West Point as the site of the United States Military Academy, was not a sudden one, but one prompted by years of tradition—for in 1802, West Point was a well-known military fortification and had often been referred to by Washington and other Revolutionary leaders as "the key to America."

Its first introduction into history was when Henry Hudson anchored his ship the *Half Moon* opposite West Point way back in 1609.

Control of this point was recognized as important from earliest days, because whatever force held this strong point guarding a strategic bend in the Hudson River, likewise controlled the vast network of interior water communica-

tions of an area stretching out over half a continent. And so on January 20, 1778, West Point was first occupied as a military post, and two months later Count Kosciusko of Revolutionary fame was placed in charge of fortifications there.

In 1780, the traitor, Benedict Arnold, was defeated in his attempt to deliver West Point to the British.

In 1783, Colonel Timothy Pickering, Quartermaster General of the Army, first suggested West Point as a site for a military academy. In 1802, the Academy, to be established at West Point was authorized by Congress. Major Jonathan Williams was appointed first superintendent and on July fourth of that year the Academy formally opened with nine cadets. The first graduate of the Academy was one Joseph G. Swift.

From that time on, the years wrote many significant chapters in West Point history. Space will not permit detail but a brief outline of salient points follows.

On August 15, 1812, George Ronan, Class of 1811 became the first graduate of West Point to be killed in action—in an Indian fight near Chicago.

On September 4, 1816, the gray uniforms which have distinguished West Point cadets for so many years were adopted in honor of Scott's troops at the battles of Chippawa and Lundy's Lane.

In 1817, an event that ranks high in the hearts of West Point graduates the country over, occurred. Major Sylvanus Thayer

was appointed superintendent. It was he who took a slipshod training barracks and made it into a school of honor and discipline. It was Thayer too, who more than a century ago, lifted the Academy from the level of an old time country school and made it an advanced technical college, which it has remained until the present day.

Many events of interest have occurred at West Point through the years, while young men from every station in life have been taught to serve their Country.

On March 6, 1831, a cadet who later won renown as a writer, was dismissed from the Academy for academic deficiencies. His name was Edgar Allan Poe.

In 1835 a rule was made that cadets could not marry.

In 1880 a memorable quotation was uttered—at a Grand Army of the Republic reunion, General W. T. Sherman, Class of 1840, concluded his speech, "There is many a boy here today who looks on war as all glory, but boys, it is all hell."

On November 29, 1890, the first Army-Navy Football game was held. (Score: Army 0, Navy 24.)

Through the years at West Point too, famous landmarks were being erected—the points of interest that are "musts" for every visitor to West Point on the Hudson.

The West Point that is familiar to people today with its massive

buildings—gray, austere and dignified, yet somehow beautiful and inspiring—is the result of an extensive building program which began as the Academy celebrated its one hundredth anniversary in 1902. Elihu Root was Secretary of War then. He employed the architectural firm of Cram, Goodhue and Ferguson to rebuild West Point and the designs they chose were selected from a great many submitted in a contest. Using the Library and old South Barracks for a guide, a military Gothic theme was used effectively throughout, even to the Chapel.

West Point's Administration Building is not only an important one at the Academy, it is a most interesting structure in its own right. Its tower, which rises to a height of 160 feet, is the tallest unreinforced masonry building in the world. It houses the offices of superintendent and staff. On the interior court walls, the arms of the states, territories, seal of the War Department and the various branches of the service, are carved.

Between the river and the Administration Building is the Riding Hall, built on the site occupied by the old riding hall of 1855 and on ground once occupied by the old cavalry stables and barracks. This huge building was erected in 1911 and is 600 feet long and 150 feet wide. Its vast area can be used as one large room or may be divided into small rooms.

Three barracks buildings house the cadets and these have been enlarged as the Corps has grown.

In South Barracks, built in 1931, is Grant Hall where West Point greets its visitors. In this big reception hall, parents and friends wait while cadets are summoned from their quarters and it is here that cadets meet their dates and leave for their dances—more familiarly known as "hops."

The cadet mess is in Washington Hall which has a dining room which seats 2,500. Stained-glass windows depicting scenes in the life of Washington, flank this massive room.

Cullum Hall was designed by Stanford White and it contains memorial tablets, portraits and busts honoring many of the Academy's illustrious sons. There is also an Ordnance Museum which contains many exhibits of the materials and instruments of war as well as a flag room. One museum piece usually pointed out to visitors is a "flip pitcher" from Benny Haven's tavern, once a favorite resort of cadets. Benny, who used to mix "flip" with a red hot poker for convivial guests, was once described by Edgar Allan Poe as "the only congenial soul in this God-forsaken place."

Other points of interest at West Point are the Cadet Gymnasium, Michie Stadium and an ice arena.

Of course everyone must tour Flirtation Walk, favorite rendez-

Below are two of West Point's most familiar Landmarks, the Cadet chapel (left) and the Battle Monument.



vous of cadets and their sweet-hearts. It extends along the steep precipice along the river, and ends in Kosciusko's Garden. On the way, one passes "Kissing Rock," which according to legend, would fall, should any girl refuse to kiss her cadet escort.

West Point has many impressive monuments — Battle Monument which honors the Civil War Dead, the Monument of Sylvanus Thayer, Kosciusko Monument, an equestrian statue of George Washington and many more.

The chapel is one of the most beautiful and inspiring highlights of a West Point tour. It is a cruciform structure whose tower rises 420 feet above river level. Over the main entrance is a stone carving depicting "Excalibur," the sword of King Arthur, and around the cornice are carvings representing "The Quest of the Holy Grail." An outstanding feature of the chapel is its mammoth 13,420 pipe-organ, the largest in the western hemisphere.

So much for our tour of the United States Military Academy. Now what of the young men housed there—those who are to become the future officers, leaders and trainers of our Army? Well, all appointments to the Military Academy are made by the President of the United States from nominations given to him in the various ways authorized by law. Competition for such appointments is keen, for the strength of the Cadet Corps is limited to 2,496 by Act of Congress.

Having received an appointment, a man must then meet the high educational and physical requirements demanded for admission.

The "plebe" is plunged into military life immediately. Upper classmen give him his first taste of cadet discipline. He is subjected to a rigorous life of military training and hard study. His schedule is a crowded one. Reveille is sounded at 5:50. After formation, a period of 20 minutes is allowed for making beds and straightening

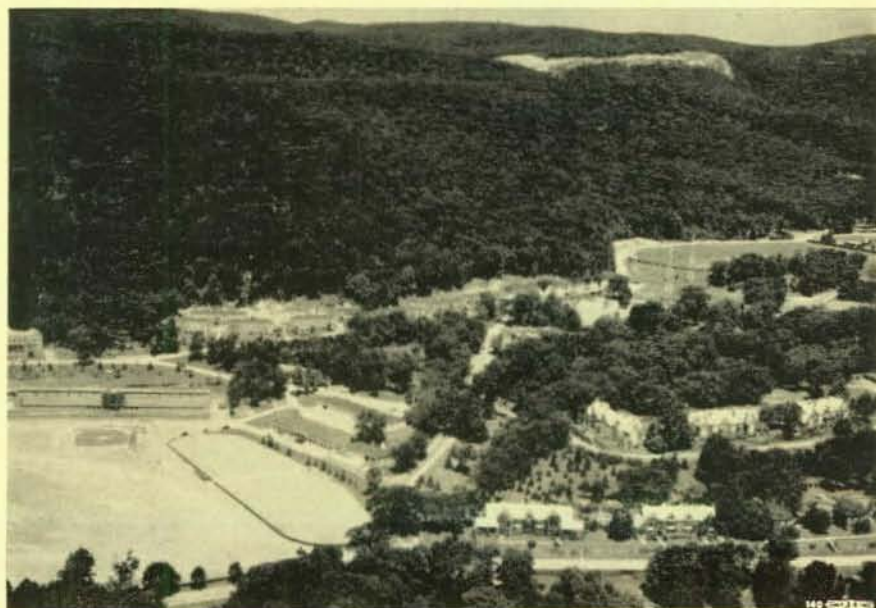


One of the nation's most colorful sports spectacles is the annual Army-Navy football game. Above is a general view of the half-time festivities during a recent service classic in Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium, packed with 102,000 cheering fans.



From Battle Monument on Trophy Point, looking up the Hudson, one gets the view above. Trophy Point holds captured cannon.

Air view of West Point below shows stately, wooded grounds overlooking Cavalry Plains at left. Academy nestles in Valley.



rooms. After breakfast there is a study period and the first class begins at 7:55. Classes go on until 3:15 broken only by a 45-minute dinner period. At 3:15 the intramural athletics program begins and lasts one hour, after which cadets have free time until 6:15 supper.

The cadet gets a full course of study with algebra, solid geometry, trigonometry, calculus, physics, chemistry, languages, military topography, electronics, literature, history, government, and law—just to name a few of the required courses listed. Two percent of the cadet's training is given over to close-order drill—the making of the “spit and polish” soldier.

Outstanding among all that the cadet learns at West Point, is his observance of the honor code. Upper classmen explain it to the plebes in their first week of Academy life. Its spirit is—that every man who wears the uniform of the Cadet Corps is expected to uphold the honor of the Corps by preserving his own individual honor. Every cadet who enters West Point subscribes to the honor code. He is then presumed to be entirely honest and truthful. He will not quibble, lie, cheat, evade duties, or resort to technicalities to avoid full performance of duty. Any cadet who violates the honor code is expected to report it and take the consequences.

It is no wonder with the training in military tactics, academic subjects and honor that West Point men receive, that the Acad-

emy has graduates who have become such outstanding soldiers and citizens through the years as Ulysses S. Grant, Robert E. Lee, William T. Sherman, Philip Sheridan, George McClellan, George Custer, Jeff Davis, “Jeb” Stuart, Stonewall Jackson, John J. Pershing, Douglas MacArthur, Dwight Eisenhower, “Hap” Arnold, Joseph Stilwell, George S. Patton, Jonathan Wainwright, Omar Bradley, Mark Clark and thousands and thousands of others.

It is a privilege for the *Electrical Workers' Journal* to pay this small tribute to many great men and the institution that helped to make them great, as it celebrates its 150th year of service.

We should like to close our account and our tribute with “The Cadet Prayer,” so often recited by the earnest young soldiers in West Point's magnificent chapel. In this sincere appeal for the help and strength of their God, we capture the feeling that keeps the men of West Point ever mindful of their motto: *Duty, Honor, Country!*

THE CADET PRAYER

GOD OUR FATHER Thou Searcher of Men's hearts

Help us to draw near to Thee in Sincerity and Truth

May our Religion be filled with Gladness and

May our Worship of Thee be Natural

Strengthen and increase our Admiration for honest Dealing

and Clean Thinking and suffer not our hatred of hypocrisy and pretense ever to diminish

Encourage us in our Endeavor to Live above the common level of life

Make us to choose the harder Right instead of the easier wrong and never to be content with a half truth when the whole can be won

Endow us with Courage that is born of Loyalty to all that is Noble and Worthy, that scorns to compromise with vice and injustice and knows no fear when Truth and Right are in jeopardy

Guard us against flippancy and irreverence in the Sacred things of life

Grant us new ties of Friendship and new opportunities of Service

Kindle our hearts in Fellowship with those of a Cheerful Countenance and soften our hearts with Sympathy for those who sorrow and suffer

May we find genuine Pleasure in Clean and Wholesome Mirth and feel inherent disgust for all coarse-minded humor

Help us in our Work and in our Play to keep ourselves physically Strong mentally Awake and morally Straight that we may the better maintain the honor of the Corps untarnished and unsullied and acquit ourselves like Men in our effort to realize the ideals of West Point in doing our Duty to Thee and to our Country

All of which we ask in the Name of the Great Friend and Master of Men. Amen.



A view of West Point, framed against the Catskill Mountains, from across the choppy waters of the Hudson River.

TIMBER!

**TREE-TRIMMING ELECTRICAL WORKERS
CLEAR THE WAY FOR LINES.**

"Where electricity goes, there goes the I.B.E.W."

Electricity, in this day and age, "goes" in many diverse places. And in going where it goes, in accordance with the slogan of the I.B.E.W., our members often find themselves in unusual and precarious places.

One of the many places that electricity goes—wrapped up in a power line—is through the limbs of trees. When power line and tree meet, the result can often be dangerous unless a proper introduction has been made by a tree trimmer, or a "forester" as he is called in some jurisdictions. Scores of our utility locals today have members engaged in the highly skilled work of tree-trimming. The pictures on these pages show tree-trimmers, or foresters, at work.

Letters Cite Work

Letters from two of our locals—No. 702 at West Frankfort, Ill., and No. 494, Milwaukee, Wis.—give an excellent picture of the work of these skilled craftsmen who see that trees and power lines get along in harmony. Local 702 writes:

"Tree trimming has, in the last few years, been given a status it never had before. Linemen used to do the trimming, a job most linemen did not like. They used their spurs on the trees in some cases, and the quality of their tree trimming work did not come up to the quality of their line work.

"The forestry crew member does the tree trimming today and he takes professional pride in his trimming. Using tools especially designed for the work, he does a fine job on the trees, painting the pruned spots with a solution prepared for the purpose. The public, the utility companies, and the state governmental agencies who regulate the trimming of trees along

state roads, are of the opinion the forestry men do a professional job and are good for our trees."

Local 494 writes:

"Most generally we think of electricians as being chiefly concerned with wires. They are, of course. But closely allied to climbing poles, is climbing trees and about 75 members of Local 494 are thus engaged. These are the boys

Right: Members of Local 494 "top" dead trees and trim branches below power line. Below: A forester pulls the branches out of line preparatory to trimming them.



Below: A group of foresters, members of Local 494, Milwaukee, line up in the company yard before embarking on another heavy day's work in the trees.





A City Light and Power crew on job at Fort Wayne, Indiana. Members of Local 723, they include Trimmer Kenneth Graves, in tree; Trimmer Cato Hale, in truck; and Foreman Herb Dull, standing on ground.



Local 1393 members carefully stack trimmed material for hauling away.



Trimmers of Local 1393, Terre Haute, Ind.: John Roberts, Wm. Herman, Wayne Pearson, Paul Pritch, Glen Winters, Ray Fuller.



With electric saw, members of Local 494 can take down tree in record time.

who keep the trees from getting in our hair," say the linemen.

"The job of these foresters is to keep the branches from growing into the power lines and thus causing all sorts of trouble. These tall, beautiful giants of the forest cause a great deal of trouble with our

power lines, especially during storms. It is the duty of the foresters to see that 250,000 of these giants are kept under control all along the miles of highway and in the fields where our electric power lines are stretched. Showing Mother Nature who's boss, so that serv-

ice interruptions are kept at a minimum, is the job of the tree trimmers.

"A great deal of heavy equipment also is necessary to do the job effectively . . .

"In addition to all the complexities of the job of trimming trees, we must not overlook the fact that our boys must also be public-relations minded. Owners of property on which many of these troublesome trees are growing do not always take kindly to the need for cutting down or trimming their property. The proper approach to these people at the right time is another important detail which our foresters constantly bear in mind."

Shown in photo at lower left are two of the new "meat grinders," so called because they grind up leaves and limbs to the equivalent of wood shavings. These shavings are often given to farmers for fertilizer and the unused debris is then hauled to some designated dump.



Above: A Detroiter, member of L.U. 17, trims a heavy branch of elm.

Below: These trees were a real hazard to service until the members of Local 17 arrived on the job.



Local 17 members line up for a picture with tools of the trade.



Left and below: A sturdy young member of Local 17 dons irons and gets into position for some serious work on the branch of the tree.



Below: "Timber!" is heard when a big one comes down.





IRELAND, the country of St. Patrick, is a wonderful land of mystery and folklore, and all its people, the children especially, believe in "the little people"—the fairies and the Leprechaun.

Now when Bridget O'Connor was a girl she lived in a rose-covered cottage set in one of Ireland's fairest fields—you know the grass never grows so green as in the shamrock-laden fields of Ireland. Well one day young Patrick O'Flynn called at the home of Bridget O'Connor. Shure they were married and sailed away on a big boat for New York. And Bridget and Patrick were happy here in our country and raised many fine sons and daughters, and in each of them Bridget O'Flynn tried to keep alive that gay Irish spirit that never grows too old to believe in "the little people."

Now Bridget had grown old and her delight was to gather her grandchildren around her and tell them stories of the Leprechaun and his wonderful powers. And all those grandchildren loved to listen to the tales she told, but little eight-year-old Nora loved her Granny's stories best of all. Many a night she'd curl up on the sofa beside old Bridget and lay her head in her lap and plead, "Tell me the story about the Leprechaun, please Granny." And Granny would smooth the shining hair and say "To be shure lassie, your auld Granny will be afther telling you the story of the little Leprechaun." Then she would begin: "You see Nora, darlin', the Leprechaun is a little fairy shoemaker—the one who makes the shoes for all 'the little people'—the wee boots for the men, the little silver slippers for the fairy ladies, and for the fairy queen, tiny shoes of purest gold. The Leprechaun is a wee bit of a man, only so big as your hand. He wears a little green coat with seven silver buttons and a tiny

cocked hat of green to match, which rises to a point on top. And Nora, love, if ever anyone should catch a Leprechaun and hold him tight, whatever that person wishes for, the Leprechaun must grant."

"Really Granny, must he really grant any wish?" asked little Nora.

"Any wish darlin', shure as your auld Granny's name is Bridget O'Flynn."

"But Granny, do people ever really see the Leprechaun—I mean people who live here in America today?" asked Nora.

"Well darlin', no they don't, but it isn't the Leprechaun's fault,

Granny tell me—please tell me, how I may catch the Leprechaun."

"Well," her Granny began, first you must let him know you believe in him. You must leave a wee bowl of milk on the table for him each night. This will show him that you are a kind little girl who believes in fairies and loves them. Then Nora, you must listen for the sound of his little hammer as he tacks the soles on the tiny shoes. You follow the sound of the little hammer and you creep up upon him and take him unawares. Then you grab him in one swoop and hold him fast in your hand

Nora and the LEPRECHAUN



A St. Patrick's Day
Story for Children
About the 'Little People'

it's the people's fault because they don't believe in the 'little people' anymore and shure no self-respectin' fairy ever comes where he's not believed in," replied her grandmother.

"But Granny, I believe in fairies, I do! I do! Tell me how to catch the Leprechaun."

"That I will darlin' and shure I believe you might. They say just one Irish man or woman from every family in each generation sees a Leprechaun once in his lifetime—but only if he believes in them, mind you. And you, little Nora, may be the lucky one. Your great Unele Tim Casey said he saw one once, but he took his eyes off him for an instant and he vanished like smoke."

Little Nora was listening intently to her grandmother. "Oh

and Nora, lass, *you hold him with your eyes*. This is most important of all, because if you take your eyes off him for even a second, he'll be gone, vanished in a puff of smoke, like your Great Unele Tim's Leprechaun. Then Nora, when he sees he cannot get away, he'll ask you what your wish is. You tell him, he'll grant it, you thank him and let him go. That's all there is to it."

"Oh thank you Granny. I'll start tonight. I'll put milk in the little blue bowl that belongs in my doll dishes, so he'll know I believe in him and come to our house to stay. And when I've caught him, Granny, I'll ask him for my wish, to make Danny boy well and let him walk and run like other little boys." You see, Nora's little Brother Danny was crippled and

could not play like other children.

The very next morning when she woke up, Nora ran to the small table where she had left the little blue bowl. The milk was still there. She was very disappointed. It was there the next day and the next and Nora was beginning to get discouraged. But on the fourth day, the milk was gone, every last drop of it, and Nora dashed off to tell her Mother. And Nora's Mother secretly believed the cat had lapped up the milk, but she was a wise woman who thought it was good for little boys and girls to have imagination and to pretend and believe in fairies, and so she smiled and said nothing. And the milk was gone the next morning and the one after that.

And then one night, a long time after she had been put to bed, little Nora woke up and she heard a very faint steady, tap-tap-tapping sound. "Now what can that be," she wondered. And all of a sudden she knew. It was the little shoe-maker's hammer. She sprang out of bed and followed the sound, downstairs and through the house, all the way to the kitchen. And she tiptoed up to the door, ever so softly and peeped in. And sure enough, sitting there in the moonlight hammering away on a pair of miniature shoes, was the little Leprechaun, just as Granny had described him—a tiny little man, no more than six inches high, in a bright green coat, with the seven silver buttons and a little pointed cocked hat to match. His hair was white, but he had a rosy, youthful face and a jolly look. Nora crept up on him ever so softly and he didn't see her coming, and then quickly, all of a sudden, like you do in a game of jacks, she swooped down and caught him up tight. And the little man squealed and struggled but Nora held on tight. "I won't hurt you little Leprechaun," she said. "I just want you to grant my wish and make my little Brother well."

"Look behind you!" cried the little man. But Nora never turned her head. She remembered well her Granny's warning, "*You have to hold him with your eyes.* He'll try all kinds of tricks, but don't take

your eyes off the Leprechaun or you've lost him."

"Look at the big bug on your dress," the Leprechaun tried again. But Nora continued to stare steadily at him.

Finally the Leprechaun stopped struggling. "You win," he said. "And you're a good girl, Nora, I'll grant your wish."

And Nora thanked him politely and then he was gone.

The little girl could hardly wait till morning to tell her Mother and Daddy and Granny about how she had caught the Leprechaun. Her Mother and Father stared at her in amazement as she told of catching the little man and his granting of her wish. "And now Danny boy will be able to walk and play like the other boys," she said gleefully.

"But darling," Nora's Mother said. "You're just pretending, you know. You must always say when

things are just pretending and when they're real."

"This was real, Mama—real as real!" And Nora's Daddy was a trifle angry and was not so sure but that perhaps his little girl ought to have a spanking for telling such stories.

But Granny smiled a delighted smile. "After all these years," she said, "it's happened again. Another one of our family has seen a Leprechaun."

And just then the phone rang and do you know what! It was the doctor. He talked to Nora's Daddy and he said, "Mr. O'Flynn, we've just been over those last X-rays of Danny's and we've found he's going to be able to walk after all. It's almost a miracle, but it's true."

And then there was great rejoicing among the O'Flynn's and much laughter and tears of joy.

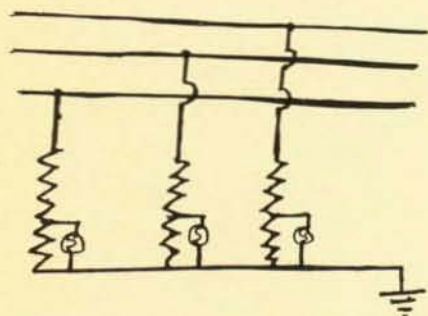
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QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Q. Is this circuit used as a ground detector or for abnormal voltages?

What will happen if a ground exists on one phase? Will light go out? What type of resistors are used? Is an ordinary 7.5 watt lamp used, or can a neon be placed instead?



Three phase, 480 volts, resistors equal 18,000 ohms, lamps equal 7.5 watts, voltage 120.

Can 220 volts be used?

VITO SPERA
Chicago 24, Ill.

A. This is a simple but not generally used ground detector as it would be hard to discern partial grounds. All the lamps will glow at a definite intensity, depending upon the taps on the resistors. When a ground takes place on one of the phases the lamp connected to that phase should go out and the other two lamps glow with more brilliance since there is reduced resistance in the parallel connections.

The resistors should be wire wound with taps and capable of standing 600 volts. Any ordinary

lamp may be used or a 120 volt neon lamp. If a 220 volt lamp is used the tap on the resistor will be such that there is less resistance in the circuit to ground and depending upon the brilliance of the lamp desired.

Q. I have a little problem I would like you to help me with if possible. I would like to know if it is possible to change "60 cycle" a.c. current to any other desired frequency in cycles, such as 50, 70, or 100 cycles. What kind of a set-up would be required to do this?

JOHN D. SHUTTLEWORTH,
Local Union 213.

A. Any large electrical manufacturer makes a frequency changer in this range but it is an expensive proposition. One method is to make use of two motor-generator sets if only A.C. is available. The first M-G set is used to obtain direct current for the second D.C. generator. Then by varying the voltage of this D.C. generator the speed and thus the frequency of the A.C. generator, which it drives, is varied to the frequency desired in the range of 60 to 120 cycles. To get higher frequency ranges, synchronous generators must be used—still more expensive.

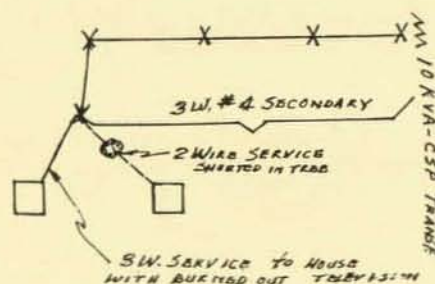
Westinghouse has a standard Induction Frequency Changer, 5-KW, 60 to 120 cycle, 4 pole 1800 R.P.M., 15% regulation; Primary-220v/440v, 3 phase and Secondary-120 cycles at 220 or 440 volts, 100

cycles at 183 or 366 volts, 90 cycles at 165 or 330 volts. This frequency changer is used for portable tools of a woodworking shop and similar demands. The list price is about \$1,100 without controls.

For special applications the set has to be custom ordered at greater costs.

Q. An incident occurred recently in our district which has caused considerable discussion, and it was suggested that I write to you for a possible explanation.

Our trouble man in answer to a no light call, found that a 2 wire 120 V. No. 6 W.P. service had become shorted where it passed thru a tree.



The 2 wire service was fed from a 3 wire #4 secondary extending about 1200 ft. having a grounded neutral and serving approximately 12 two and three wire #6 services each also having a grounded neutral.

The secondary was supplied from a 10 K.W.A.C.S.P. transformer.

When the trouble man arrived he found that the transformer relay had opened, killing the secondary so it is not known how long the wires had been shorted.

The owner of the adjoining house which had a 3 wire #6 120-240V service, claimed that his television was burned out due to the condition set up by the short in his neighbor's service.

Any information on how this could be possible would be greatly appreciated.

WILLIAM MCCARTHY,
Winsted, Conn.

A. A definite reason for the burnt out television set is not known. Lightning, traveling down the antenna lead has been known

to burn out the set in many instances.

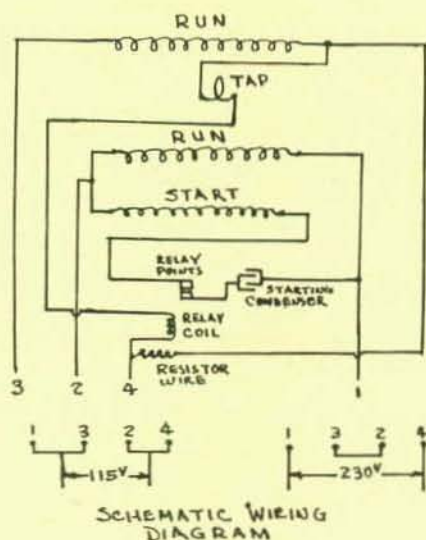
However, there is a possibility that, because of the excessive current demand on the shorted 120 volt section of the transformer, the other 120 volt section might have had an abnormal leakage flux between the high and low side that caused an instantaneous surge of voltage before the overload relay on the secondary opened. This voltage was then placed across the television set, which is designed for 120 volts, and thus burnt it out instantaneously. Shorts do cause surges of voltage at the source of power, but not in the load adjacent to the shorted load.

Q. Illustrated here is a schematic drawing showing the windings of a Red Star motor, single phase, 1 HP. Also illustrated is a junction block, and starting switch. Please show me how the connections are made to the junction block and

starting switch. The connections should be made so the motor can be operated on 100/220 volts by changing jumpers as illustrated in #A3709. Also show where to connect the line. I wrote the company several months ago but got no answer.

J. H. WOODSIDE,
L. U. 952.

A. This editor does not know of the Red Star Motor connection diagram. However, below is the sche-



matic wiring diagram for a Standard Electric Company, 115/230 volt, 1 phase motor with similar elements to that of the Red Star motor. By comparing the schematic wiring diagrams and tracing out the corresponding elements one should be able to connect the Red

Star motor in like manner. The "one turn of heavy wire" is the same as the one turn marked "TAP" below, and will be series through the relay coil to the other line wire for either 115 or 230 volts.

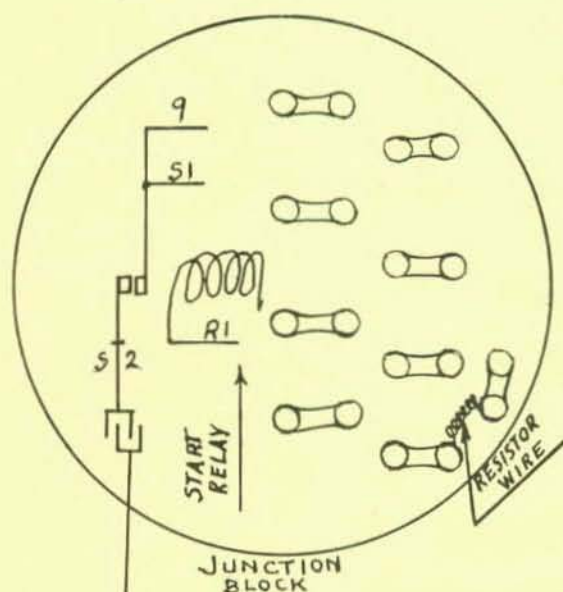
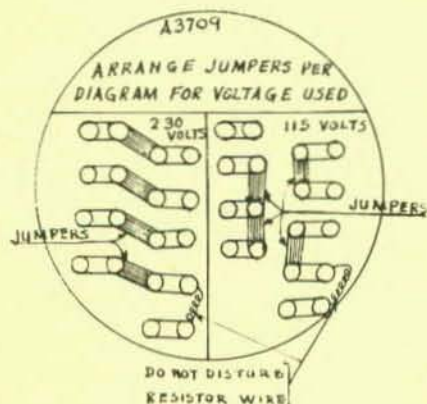
Comment by Readers

Editor: Referring to question of Brother J. Horvath of Local 1497 in January issue, page 46. I have read the comments with much interest. If he has not found an efficient tester that meets his requirements I think I have one small in size for bench work. Just plug into supply circuit a cord that has a receptacle in top to plug in iron or other appliance to be tested. There are no resistance wires, lamps or contacts to cause trouble, or heat up. It has a drop of less than one volt in testing so appliance heats at regular speed. When thermostat is on there is a hum when off hum stops. We also have another model that lights a light as well as hums. I know three of these that have been in use for over 15 years without repairs. If anyone wants one I will be glad to hear from them.

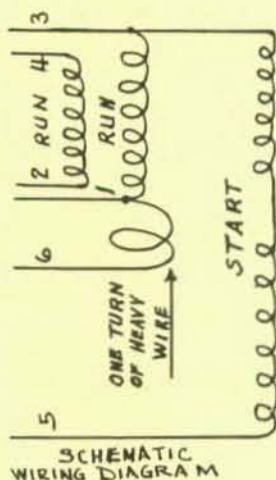
S. S. KEITHLEY,
L. U. 231

Editor: In a recent issue, J. Lemieux, L.U. 1039, asks for information about a war surplus radio transmitter. While I am not acquainted with the type he mentions, most of these transmitters were used for mobile and portable operation and therefore powered with 12 volt or 24 volt batteries. The filaments were supplied direct from the batteries and the high voltage plate supply was obtained from the batteries through dynamos with an output of from 300 volts DC to 1000 volts or more. Most amateur radio operators prefer to build a power supply directly connected to AC house circuits. Any book on transmitters will have some power supply diagrams. However, many of the surplus transmitters need several changes to operate satisfactorily

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See question from J. H. Woodside, above.



A Poet in Our Midst



WE have good Electrical Workers in our organization—that is to be expected—but we have others in our Brotherhood, those who are Electrical Workers, yes, but who are also musicians and artists and inventors and writers and poets. And through the years our attention has been called many times to the efforts of our people in these last two categories. This month we should like to bring to you here some of the work of a man whom we feel is a real poet and whose verses have often graced the pages of our JOURNAL. We'd like to tell you a little about him.

He is Daniel Abram Hoover, a member of Local Union 1306, Decatur, Illinois. Brother Hoover was born April 1, 1906 in Pleasant Hill, Illinois. He lived there until 1915 when he moved to Jacksonville, where he lived on a farm and attended a one-room school house. Graduated from Jacksonville High School in the spring of 1924, he went to work for the Illinois Power Company as a "nickel flipper," that is counting money and tokens (*also slugs*) from the street railway system.

In 1928, Brother Hoover transferred to the job of trouble shooter which paid the munificent sum

of \$90 monthly. Brother Hoover said, "We worked six eight-hour days and whatever overtime was necessary to get the job done, but I loved it. Somehow the world looks a lot different from the top of a 70-foot pole, especially when a gale is blowing."

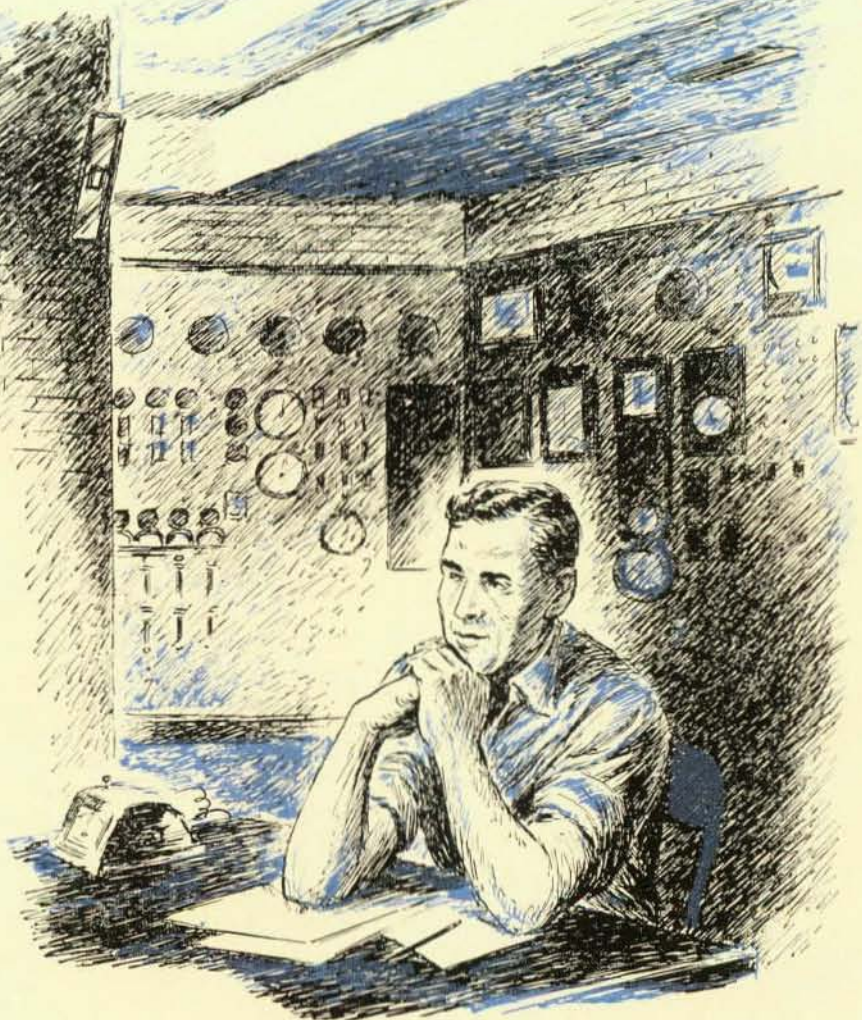
In 1932, he changed to shift operator at the substation. He writes, "Nothing on earth is such a sweet lullaby as the lazy sixty-cycle hum of a transformer bank at half past three of a morning. Brahms should have been a substation operator."

In 1937, Brother Hoover says

they became organized into Local Union 1306.

He is now employed in the Engineering Department of the Illinois Power Company and says he likes the work better every day.

With regard to his verse, Brother Dan says he first began to dabble in this in 1937, chiefly because he was able to buy an old Oliver typewriter for six dollars. He says he always liked to write little verses. It sort of ran in the family. He says, "My Dad, who had a second grade education, wrote rhymes about his fancy



chickens. My grandfather who went blind during his early manhood, made rhymes, most of them vitriolic, about his less-liked neighbors." One of them, composed about a hundred years ago, ran like this:

"I have a neighbor who lives nigh,
He keeps a tool
To shoot my mule,
A hairy head and two white eyes,
A nose to snuff and a mouth to lie!"

"Grandpa never saw the inside of a school house."

Seems as if writing poetry is going to continue to run in the Hoover family. Here's a poem by Brother Hoover's 12-year old daughter, Carole, which was recently published in "Poet's Corner," in a Springfield newspaper:

"I want to smell the smoke of fall,
And see the leaves' gay hue,
And hear the flocks of chirping birds
These golden hours through.

"The splendor of God's handiwork,
The beauty of this time—
It's hard to tell such wond'rous things,
In just this simple rhyme."

Brother Hoover has written more than a thousand verses and has had them published in numerous papers and magazines including *Kaliedograph*, a national poetry magazine. His poetic efforts have won him the title, "Happy Harpist of Hillsboro."

Brother Hoover shows a beautiful philosophy in his small poems. He writes from a deep and abiding faith in God. And now we are privileged to bring you some representative samples of his work.

LABOR



Back through the passing years
Endlessly flowing,
The village, the City, the skyscraper grand,
Have risen from visions
Of men filled with purpose
And piece by piece formed by the
work of his hand.

Motor cars, aeroplanes,
Railways and bridges,
Steamships, a link to the earth's many
shores,
Mine, barge, and foundry,
Turret lathe, drill press,
Have smokingly built them in industry's roar.

Labor has wrested this,
From a raw country,
Labor has created churches and
schools,
America's greatness
Is not of her scholars,
But blue-shirted labor at work with
his tools.

MOTORIST'S PRAYER

Each time I take the wheel,
Oh Lord, I pray,
Grant that no harm shall come
Of me, today.
See over hills for me,
On curves, stand by,
Post some bright Angel near
To see that I
Observe the playing child,
The old, less spry;
No act of mine must cause,
Someone to die.

THE GIRL WITH THE LAUGHING EYES



One day in June when the breeze was
soft
And white clouds filled the skies,
In a village of maple trees I met
The girl with the laughing eyes.
As pure as an Easter Lily
More lovely than the dawn,
She smiled for a fleeting instant,
And shyly traveled on.
Since then, I have seen the city
And a thousand women's eyes,
But none of them have lifted me
With such innocent surprise.
I must go back when the tulips nod,
And summer twilight lies
Like the soft, approving hand of God,
To the girl with the laughing eyes.

EASTER

They crowned Him with thorns,
And they pierced His hands,
To nail Him upon a tree;
Though suffering there,
This promise He gave:
To come back to you and me.

Not a mystic Christ in some far-off
land,
When life on this earth is through,
But now, He lives in the work of
your hands,
In the services you can do.

Though your shirt is blue,
This work you do,
Is part of the Master plan,
In doing for others,
You resurrect
The Christ of the common man.

OLD TIME COMFORT



When gray geese fly across the sky
And snow flakes swirl around,
Each howling gale a lonesome wail,
Leaves crackle on the ground.
Your breath is like a cloud of smoke,
The sun just fades away,
And ice-bound streams kills summer's
dreams,

For winter's under way.
Then Ma dusts off her attic trunk
And lifts the bright quilts out,
Down underneath are "comforters,"
Wide, warm and thick and stout,
A tang of moth balls fills the air,
You hug each deep, soft fold,
And know you're fully fortified
No matter what the cold.
Ma shakes it out across your bed,
And tucks the corners down
A sleepy sigh, her warm goodnight,
To the richest kid in town!

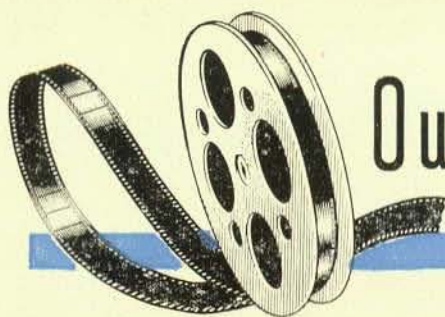
NOW, HE KNOWS

My little son climbed on my knee,
And oh, so eagerly asked of me,
"Daddy, where do the big trains go?"
"To the north," I said, "where there's
ice and snow.

"Where polar bears and eskimo
Sport with each other and have fine
fun,
In the land of the pole and the mid-
night sun.

"To the south where the sea is china
blue,
Where palms hang high and cool to
view,
To sand and sun, and a life that's
free,
Just wait 'til you're older, and you
shall see."

Last midnight I put him on a train,
In the midst of a dismal, sodden rain,
Through tears, as I watched him pull
away,
"Korea," I thought I heard him say.



Our Members *Make Movies*

YOU DON'T have to be an ardent movie fan to appreciate the fact that there have been tremendous advances made in the motion pictures of the last three decades. Those of us who remember the days of the Mack Sennett Comedies and John Gilbert in "The Big Parade" have only to view a modern musical extravaganza in technicolor to realize how far the movies have come. And we of the Electrical Workers can be proud that members of the I.B.E.W. have been a vital part of the advances made through the years. And while it may appear on the surface that all the improvements possible have been made, they are really going on every day—and right now motion picture studios in Hollywood are modernizing their sound plants, and members of our Brotherhood are building, installing and operating the new sound equipment that will bring more perfect sound recording to the motion picture public. The pictures on these pages show new magnetic sound equipment built by members of Local Union 40, employed in the Sound Department at Paramount Studios.

For 25 years, almost all motion picture sound recording has been done on photographic film, either by the Western Electric variable density or by the RCA variable area system. Now the trend is toward magnetic tape recording, which received its impetus as a result of its use in World War II.

All of us have been familiar for many years with sound coming from wax disks into which it has been scratched by a vibrating needle. And we have heard sound coming from motion picture film on which it was photographed by a varying beam of light. But now

we hear the truest reproductions of all, brought to us from hair-fine steel wire on which the sound has been recorded by magnetism.

Magnetic tape recording and its history are of course "old stuff" to members of Local Union 40 and our Brothers in similar locals who work with this medium every day, but we thought a brief summary of the development of magnetic tape recording commercially might be interesting to other readers of our JOURNAL.

You certainly wouldn't think to look at an ordinary piece of thin, hair-like steel wire, that it could sing and talk—that a couple of miles of it could be wound into an opera or a symphony.

The magnetic wire recorder with its amazing applications in business and education was invented in 1939 by a young Chicago man, named Marvin Camras. Camras had been studying the findings of a Danish physicist, Valdemar Poulsen, who first introduced a recording on a wire in 1898, and he attempted to build a machine which would make recordings by magnetizing a fine steel wire. He believed that through the magnetic process the same wire could be used again and again. Armour Research Foundation aided young Camras in his work. And while the youthful physicist spent long hours at his task and employed much originality in building his wire instrument, he actually applied a simple principle that is learned in high school physics, that a steel rod passed into a magnetic field becomes magnetized. Camras passed hundreds of feet of steel wire through his variable magnetic field. This gave him a recording composed of one long

magnet or thousands of small magnets—strong when the sound was loud and weak when it was soft—faithfully reflecting the tones of the speaker or singer.

Then when the wire is fed through the recorder again, it plays these impressions back and the electric currents so produced are converted into sound waves by the amplifier and loud speaker.

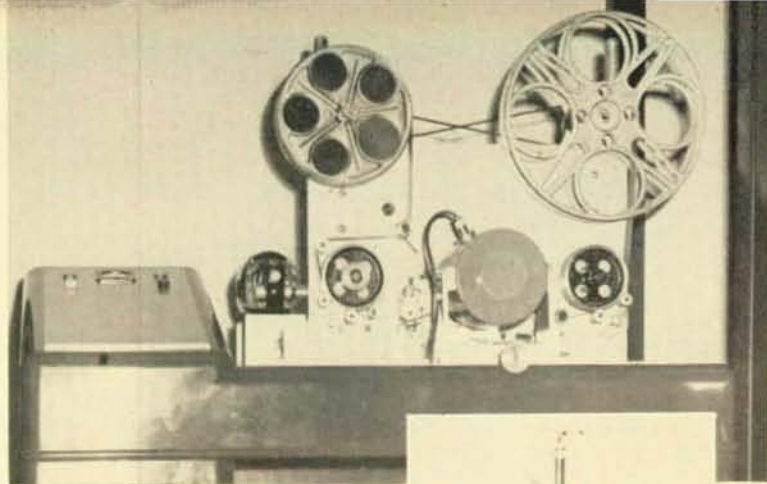
The perfecting of the tape recorder opened up a whole new field. During the war the wire recorder proved invaluable in combat and training. Thousands of recorders were installed in planes to record messages and observations during reconnaissance flights. Others went on bomber missions to provide a complete report of enemy fighter tactics. Still others went into warships to record messages and conversations during battle when our sailors were too busy fighting to keep a log.

The magnetic recorder was a wonder—it could operate upside-down, sideways and in all sorts of atmospheric and climatic conditions. Then since the war it has had multiple military and civilian uses. The Civil Aeronautic Administration uses it extensively for flight training. Its uses in the commercial and home entertainment world are boundless. Everyone has become aware of the practicality of wire recorders for use in court cases. New uses for the wire recorder are coming into being every day. For example, it is being used in industry—providing new ears for factory men—enabling them to study and compare noises made by their machines so they can detect disorders.

Wire recorders are practical. They are cheap in comparison to film or disc. The recordings need



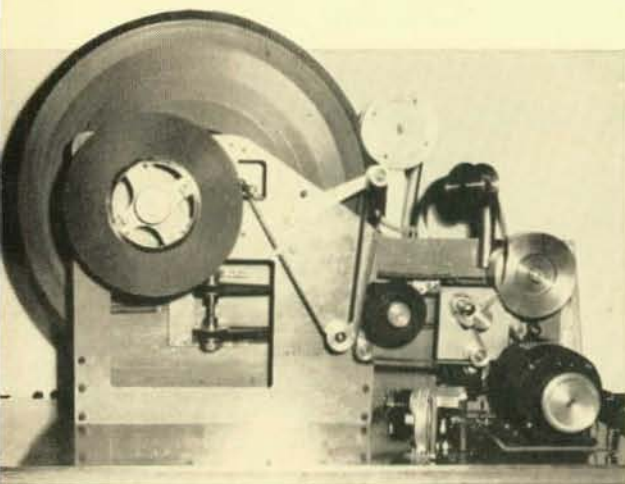
Above: Front of a modern magnetic recording set.



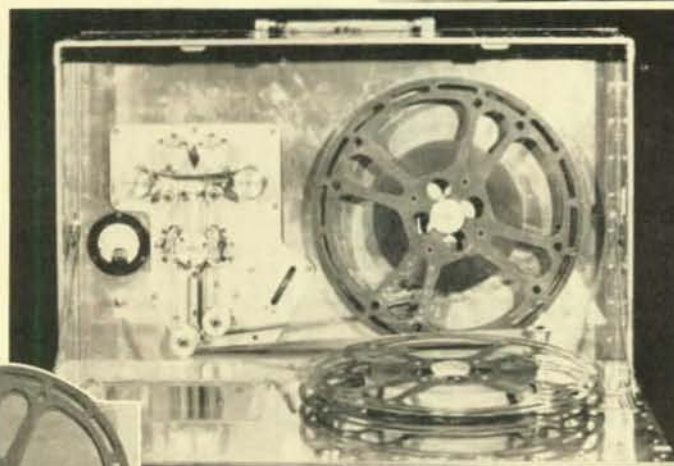
Above: This imposing machine is a magnetic film scriber, showing power and amplifier rack of the unit.



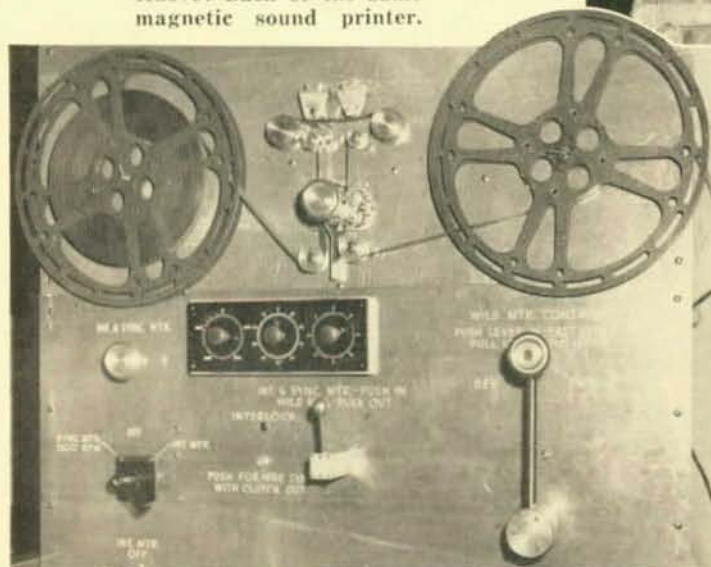
Right: This is the device which does the work; a magnetic film scriber head.



Above: Back of the same magnetic sound printer.

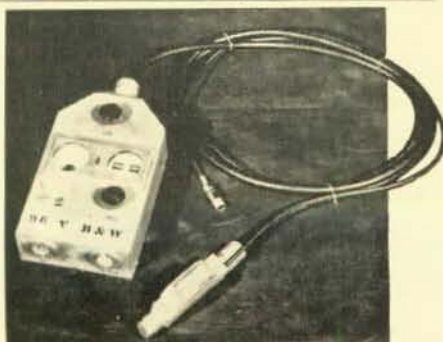


Above: Interior of magnetic recorder.



Above: Face of magnetic film playback used for transfer and dubbing in sounds.

Right: Location control for camera and 17.5 mm film recorder.



Below: A 35mm magnetic film duplicator.

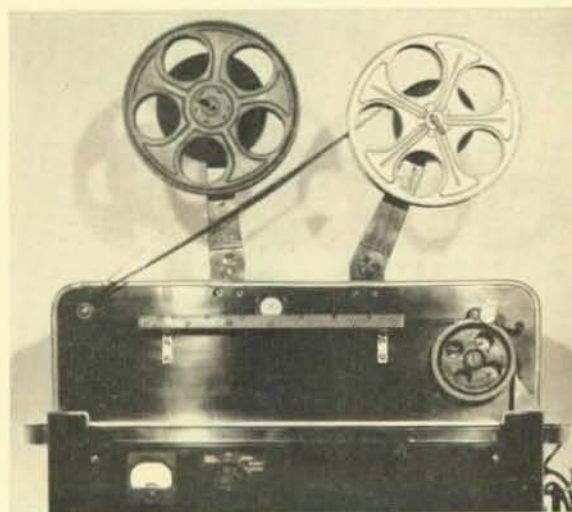




Figure 1. This overloaded truck filled with all kinds of batteries, rectifiers and other gear is what was formerly needed to make film recording.

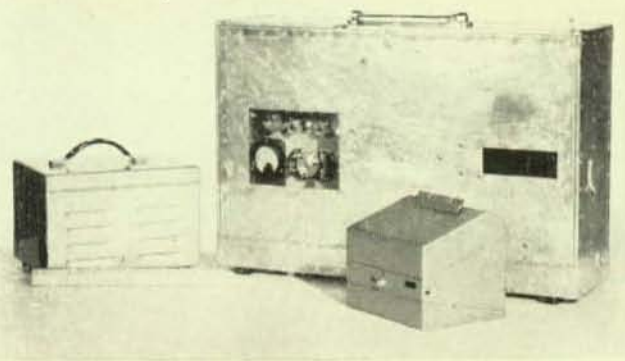


Figure 2. A modern film recording channel. This unit, weighing only 65 pounds, now does a better job. It uses a magnetic tape recording channel.

no processing, for once the sound is recorded it is ready to be played and the wire itself is practically indestructible.

So much for the development of the wire recorder and its multiple uses. Now to get back to motion pictures and the way our Local 40 members employ tape recorders in their work and how they have modernized Hollywood sound plants.

Early in 1948, Paramount and other studios started working with this new medium. Professional high quality equipment meeting motion picture requirements were not available, so our members in the studios not only developed but also made the first production magnetic recording equipment. It is probably well that magnetic recording had this beginning, for in the studio all men were conscious of the problems of production and these first equipments were, therefore designed and built first to meet needs and requirements of the operating men and secondly to include the higher refinements of scientific research.

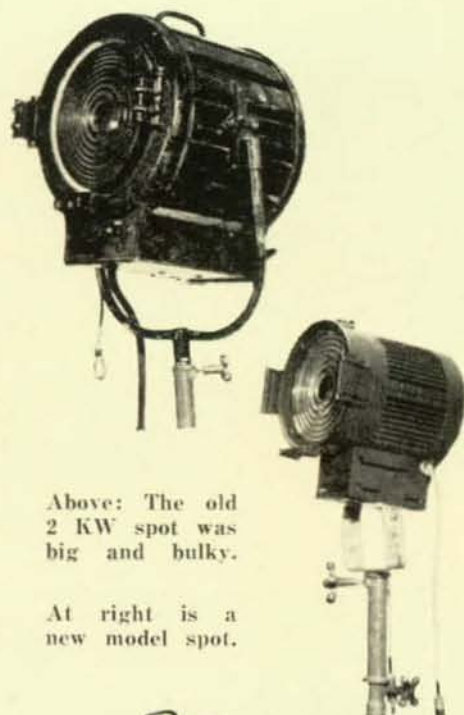
An old style film recording channel is pictured in Figure 1. It shows a three and one half ton truck overloaded with batteries, motor generators, rectifiers, recorders and auxiliary equipment. Figure 2 is a picture of a new magnetic recording channel which weighs 65 pounds and does a better quality recording job and is subject to less trouble.

It is strange how past acceptance of the need for a truck brought along with it little or no concern about weight, and almost without

realization the equipment which could have weighed not more than one and one half tons soon grew to three and one half tons. It is also interesting to look at the accomplishment of a 65 pound recording channel and realize how the weight of this channel has compounded down as contrasted to the increasing weight of the truck equipment. It is true that new vacuum tubes have smaller filaments and require less power and, therefore, smaller batteries, but it is also true that magnetic recording does not require an exposure lamp, thus the elimination of more batteries and more weight. In addition to this, as the recorder was made smaller its drive motor power became less, each working in favor of the other so that now the recorder generally operates as a satellite or slave.

Yes advances are being made by electrical workers in every field and those in the motion picture industry are outstanding. Members of Local Union 40 have made their mark. As Mr. Loren L. Ryder, Director of Sound for Paramount Pictures, Inc. puts it: "The electrical men are advancing, they have made their contribution—they are among the first in the great evolution that is now taking place in motion picture making. They deserve this word of appreciation and our sincere congratulations."

And we express our appreciation to Mr. Loren L. Ryder for his kind comment and for information and pictures supplied to us for this article and also to Mr. Charles L. Thomas, business manager of Local Union 40 for his cooperation.



Above: The old 2 KW spot was big and bulky.

At right is a new model spot.



Above: A senior 5 KW spot which has been made considerably less bulky (at right).

Interesting MEN IN Interesting JOBS



RADIO and TV men literally go everywhere in performance of their routine duties. The calm, cool, collected photo of the waiting men pictured in one of our photos here was taken on the bridge of the U.S.S. *Cusk*, a submarine equipped for firing guided missiles. Local Union 202 men of San Francisco, went out shortly after the worst storm to hit California in decades—so rough in fact that the Golden Gate Bridge was closed for the first time in its history.

The purpose of the cruise was to give members of the Submarine Reserve of the 12th Naval District, operating experience. And why were Local 202 men along? Why to tape record all that went on during the cruise. This tape will be used to publicize the fact that reservists are active, and will aid in the recruiting of members. The primary inducement to the submarine reserve is the skilled training which all the men get. The tape recording as made by our I.B.E.W. engineers will be proof positive of the exciting service and technical training men in the Submarine Reserve receive.

Other photos on this page show Station KRON-TV's remote truck with its small studio built right in. In this truck and in similar ones all over our country, I.B.E.W. Radio and TV men go wherever anything is happening.

One of our photos shows a crew in front of the Hotel St. Francis, San Francisco, awaiting the arrival of General MacArthur.

The photos appearing here were sent us by Jack Dunn, business manager of Local Union 202. We would welcome photos and news from our other Radio and TV locals for inclusion in our JOURNAL, either as special features or in the "Local Lines" section.



Above: During March of Dimes telethon, all Local 202 technicians contributed services to the program.

Left: Visiting engineers aboard sub. Left to right: Jack Dunn, KYA engineer; Art Primm, news editor; Lt. Cmdr. C. B. Momsen and Burt Winn, announcer, KYA.

Right: Interior of a KRON-TV remote truck. Truck has small built-in studio.



Below: Covering MacArthur's visit to San Francisco, are left to right: Don Anderson, George Chong, Jacques Clifton, Local 202 members, and Al Constant, news editor, KRON-TV.



With the Ladies



Woman's Work

SOME years ago, the regular title of the "Ladies' Page" of our JOURNAL used to be "Woman's Work." We happened to be looking through an old JOURNAL the other day and noticed the name and it started us to thinking. Woman's Work! What is Woman's Work? What isn't it, might be easier to describe—remember the old adage, "Man toils from sun to sun, but woman's work is never done!" It seems to me if a woman does all that is expected of her and does it all well, she would have to be a combination of the following people: Cleopatra, Florence Nightingale, Oscar of the Waldorf, Dale Carnegie, Dorothy Draper and a few others whom space will not permit us to discuss here.

Be A Charmer

Let's analyze a bit. First a woman has to have a little of that Siren-of-the-Nile-Cleopatra in her—that is, no matter how much she has to do, how heavy her household burdens, she's supposed to look pretty and well-groomed, be interesting to, and interested in, her husband.

The Florence Nightingale is supposed to manifest itself, whenever husband or children are sick. The woman of the family is expected to be the untiring nurse, knowing exactly what to do for every ailment, soothing each fevered brow with the hand of the expert.

The third personality she must imitate, Oscar of the Waldorf, refers to her cooking prowess. The little woman is expected to take the tough, cheap cuts of meat which are all she

can afford on hubby's salary and turn out concoctions to rival those of the famed chef of New York's famous Waldorf-Astoria.

Dale Carnegie comes into the picture as the famous exponent of "how to win friends and influence people." It is part of woman's regular work to be skilled at managing her children and keeping them happy, never quarreling with her husband, getting along with his relatives and friends and fellow workers and pouring oil on any troubled waters which may arise.

The fifth personality mentioned here, whose qualities all women are

the house wife, especially the union man's house wife, has the added job of doing her bit for political education, promotion of the union label and worthwhile community projects.

It's An Important Job

But ladies, in spite of the difficulties and often the drudgery, just remember, there is no job in the world half so important as yours, as Mrs. Homemaker. No career girl anywhere is actually performing as important work as yours—if you are doing it the *right* way.

So my friends, while this article is supposed to poke a little fun at the men and all they expect of us, it is also a reminder to try to live up to all that expected performance.

Don't get so involved in household tasks and caring for your children that you forget to be a pretty, well-groomed wife and your husband's interesting companion, always ready to cheer and encourage him when he's "feeling low."

Then those other qualities—being the soothing nurse like Florence Nightingale, putting your best foot forward in your cooking and adding variety and interest to your daily meals ala Oscar, being pleasant and good natured as advocated by Dale Carnegie, making your house attractive Draper fashion, are all abilities which if developed will make your routine "Woman's Work" more profitable and happy.

So girls, let's go—if it's "Woman's Work" for us, let's show everybody what women can do when they really "work" at it!



expected to have if they perform their "woman's work" well, is Dorothy Draper. Dorothy Draper is a famous home decorator. With all their other duties, women are expected to keep their houses scrupulously clean and have them tastefully decorated at all times.

It's A Big Job

Now—we realize a lot of this talk is facetious—no woman could combine so many paragons of one virtue or another—but truly the average woman has a terrific job to do every day. It is heavy, it is hard. There is so much involved in being a good homemaker—being a wife and companion, being a good mother, teaching and training the children, keeping a clean, pretty house, cooking nourishing meals, washing, ironing, caring for the members of the family who are ill—it is a terrific job when it is done *right*. In addition, these days,



Our Auxiliaries

Included in "Women's Work" as we discussed it on the opposite page, is helping to carry on all sorts of worthwhile campaigns and community projects, ranging all the way from fund drives for the Community Chest or Red Cross to getting up petitions to have indecent literature removed from city news stands. High on the list this year, will be political activity. Mr. James McDevitt, director of Labor's League for Political Education, remarked recently, that "One woman is worth 10 men in getting out the vote." We are needed, auxiliary members, in this tremendously important job of getting voters registered and getting them to the polls on election day. We urge all our members to get busy on registration—doing all they can to get family, friends, fellow citizens in their town registered. This is a noble part of women's work. We hope all our women will participate enthusiastically.

Now, here are some letters from our auxiliaries received this month.

L. U. 512 Grand Falls, Newfoundland, Canada

Here we are again after a very long silence, hoping we do better in the future. Our auxiliary opened for its fall and winter sessions in October past, our first meeting being held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Sullivan. Three meetings have been held since then, including our annual meeting, one each at the home of Mrs. Charlie Shallow, Mrs. Steve Janes and Mrs. Ron Griffin. At our last meeting held on January 8th, a card party was planned and this took place on January 15th in Beaumont Mall and we are pleased to say it was a huge success.

Recently, we had the pleasure of welcoming three new members to our ranks, namely, Mrs. Ted Dawe, Mrs. Thomas McHugh and Mrs. John Ethridge.

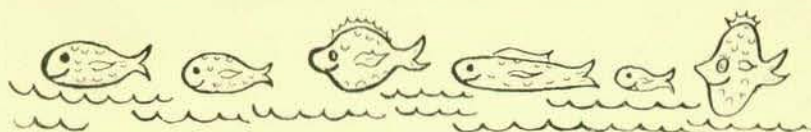
During the Christmas season, one of our old members was visiting town—Mrs. George Allen, and Mr. Allen also accompanied her. They now reside in Cornwall, Ontario. We are very glad to see you, Mrs. Allen, and hope your stay among us will be very pleasant.

Sorry to report at the time of this writing the illness of Mr. William Nugent, husband of one of our very active members. Hope he will soon be well again, and that Mrs. Nugent will be back again to join in our future activities.

The election of officers for the year

(Continued on page 85)

Lenten Bill of Fare



Well ladies, it's the Lenten season again and those of you who are "fish eaters" may be looking for some new suggestions for meatless dishes. And for those who may not be observing Lenten regulations perhaps these recipes will help you save a little on your food bill—"seeing as how" meat is selling at prices "out of all reason."

Why not try:

TUNA SALAD MEXICANA

(Serves 6 to 8)

2 7-ounce cans tuna fish	1 teaspoon pepper
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup chopped pimiento	2 teaspoons sage
1 cup finely chopped onion	Salad oil
$\frac{1}{2}$ cup finely chopped parsley	$\frac{1}{2}$ cup lemon juice
$1\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons salt	Cheese

Drain fish, reserving oil. Flake fish with fork. Add pimiento, onion, parsley and seasonings; mix well. To oil saved from tuna fish, add enough salad oil to make $\frac{1}{2}$ cup. Add oil and lemon juice to salad. Mix until very well blended. Serve on salad greens and sprinkle grated cheese on top.

SPANISH OMELET

2 tablespoons butter	$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
4 eggs, slightly beaten	Dash of pepper
$\frac{1}{4}$ cup rich milk	Spanish sauce

Heat butter in skillet. Mix eggs lightly with milk and seasonings and pour into skillet. Cook slowly. While cooking, lift edge gently with spatula, allowing uncooked portion to run underneath. Continue until mixture is creamy. Increase heat and brown quickly. Fold carefully and serve with Spanish Sauce. Serves 2 to 4.

SPANISH SAUCE

2 tablespoons chopped onion	$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons chopped green pepper	1 teaspoon sugar
	Dash of pepper
3 tablespoons butter	1 cup canned tomatoes

Saute onion and green pepper in butter until golden brown. Add remaining ingredients. Cook over low heat 15 to 20 minutes. Makes about 1 cup sauce.

SALMON SOUFFLE

3 tablespoons butter	1 teaspoon lemon juice
3 tablespoons flour	3 egg yolks, beaten until thick and lemon-colored
$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt	
$\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk	2 egg whites, stiffly beaten
1 cup flaked salmon	

Melt butter, add flour and salt and stir to a smooth paste. Add milk and cook until thickened stirring constantly. Add salmon and lemon juice and stir and heat. Cool slightly and add egg yolks, mixing well. Fold into egg whites. Pour into buttered baking dish and set in pan of hot water. Bake in moderate oven (350°F) 40 to 50 minutes or until firm. Serves 6.

FRIED SCALLOPS WITH TARTAR SAUCE

Drain scallops. Beat 1 egg slightly, add 2 tablespoons milk or water, dash of salt and pepper. Roll scallops, one at a time, in seasoned cracker crumbs, then dip in egg-milk mixture, drain and dip again in crumbs. Fry in deep fat (375°F) 3 to 5 minutes, or until browned. For sauce mix 3 finely chopped sweet pickles, 1 onion minced and 1 tsp. minced parsley to 1 cup mayonnaise.



Above: Two 50-year members. Alois Rieckus (left) and Hugo Schroth, with International Secretary Scott Milne at Local 1's big meeting.

Below: Russell Vierheller, of St. Louis NECA, tells of good relations existing between the employer and the employee in St. Louis area.



Below: John Woodbridge, Vice President of Union Electric Co., tells boys of benefits of learning the trade under union conditions.



Above: Dick Osborne, president of St. Louis chapter of NECA, gives award to Apprentice Robert Rehling, while Secretary J. Scott Milne looks with smile of approval.



Above: Secretary Milne addresses the guests at the apprenticeship graduating exercises. Others are the International Vice President Frank Jacobs, R. Vierheller, J. Woodbridge.

Below: Somewhat belatedly, Vice President Jacobs and John O'Shea, President of Local 1, receive their apprenticeship certificates from International Secretary J. Scott Milne.



58 Honored at Apprentice Dinner

L. U. 1, ST. LOUIS, MO.—On January 16 the joint apprentice training committee composed of representatives of Local Union No. 1 and of the St. Louis chapter National Electrical Contractors Association sponsored a dinner at which 58 young men were honored for having completed four years of apprentice training in the electrical trade. These young men, having passed the required examinations, were being prepared to go out and work as full fledged journeymen electricians, something very important in the lives of these young men, something they worked and sweated for, something they spent long hours of burning the midnight oil for and now after these long years of learning while working, these young men, most of whom are married with families, are facing the future with a thorough knowledge of one of the finest and most interesting vocations in the building industry today. They were admonished by one of the speakers that their learning was not finished with their graduation and for the balance of their lives in the electrical industry they will have to continue to learn if they expect to keep abreast of the ever-changing progress in this industry.

The value of apprentice training became apparent during the depression years of the thirties. Prior to that time, future apprentices were allowed to register with the secretary at any age, as a result many of these boys were called for training before finishing high school. They were placed with contractors for on-the-job training and after four years of work, they were made journeymen, although they had only a working knowledge of the trade, any theory of the trade they learned was acquired on their own initiative. Now because of a

broader understanding between labor and management, a very fine educational program is in existence in St. Louis. A young man employed as an apprentice must first pass an aptitude test and must continue to show suitable progress during his apprentice training. The contractor and journeymen with whom the apprentice works are questioned regularly, and if the young man is discovered to be the "square peg in the round hole" it is suggested to him that he find an industry more to his liking.

The genuine interest in the welfare of these young men by the local unions, contractors, and the federal, state and city governments has helped to raise the electrical industry from a trade to a profession. On the program honoring these apprentices were J. Scott Milne, International Secretary, Frank Jacobs, International Vice President 11th District, Chas. Kaiser representing Mayor Joseph M. Darst and John Woodbridge, vice pres. and general counsel of the Union Electric Company of Missouri. Guests included Warren K. Begeman, director of technical education, St. Louis Board of Education, Richard Osborn, president, St. Louis Chapter N.E.C.A., John I. Rollings, executive secretary, Central trades and labor unions, Joseph C. Payne, executive secretary, Building Trades Council, George Apel

of the U.S. Bureau of Apprenticeship; and Edward Simon, pres. of the Joint Council of Apprenticeship Committees of St. Louis.

Members of I.B.E.W. Local 1 who received their certificates of completion of apprenticeship training at the ceremonies Wednesday of last week are:

Bert A. Andrews, Donald G. Andrews, Robert C. Belt, William H. Belt, William R. Berg, William Brennan, Kenneth Browning, Clarence Lester Calahan, Jr., Thomas M. Clark.

Oscar Crouther, Glen M. Cull, Haddock, Joseph D. Hartman, Raymond Lee Edgar, Joseph Martin Eichhorn, Donald James Gralike, Billy A. Gropp, Glenn R. Richard J. Hawkins, Robert G. Hennessy, William Hepler, Charles Johnston, Jr., John William Jordon, Ray Kaercher, Jr., Vaughn A. Kirk, Torvald Eidar Kjar, Daniel Francis McCarthy, Patrick J. McLaughlin, William R. Matthews, Theodore Robert Metzger, William John Meier, Earl Wilson Monerief, Jr., Harold Alfred Morris, John C. Moushey, Raymond Henry Mueller, Richard F. Mueller, Theodore F. Muffler.

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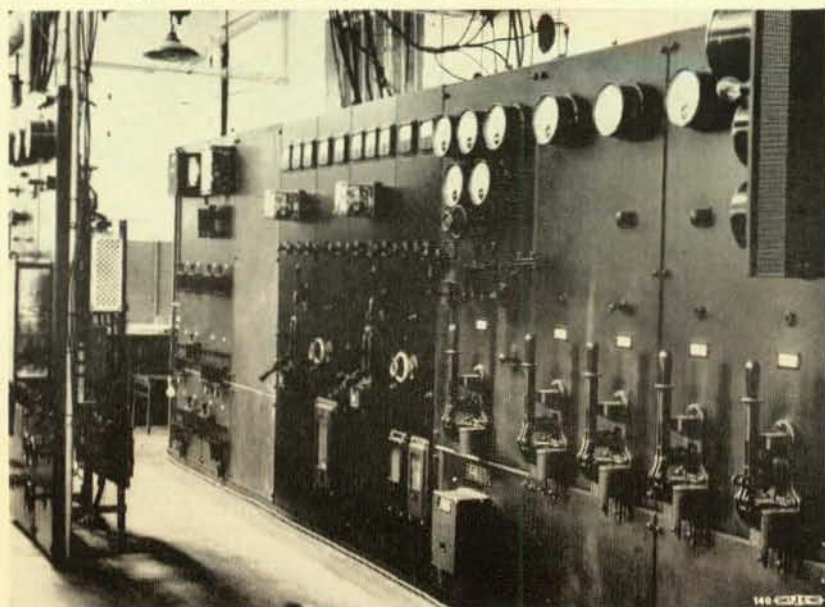
NEWS FROM THE LOCALS

Apprentices and Mentors in St. Louis Meeting

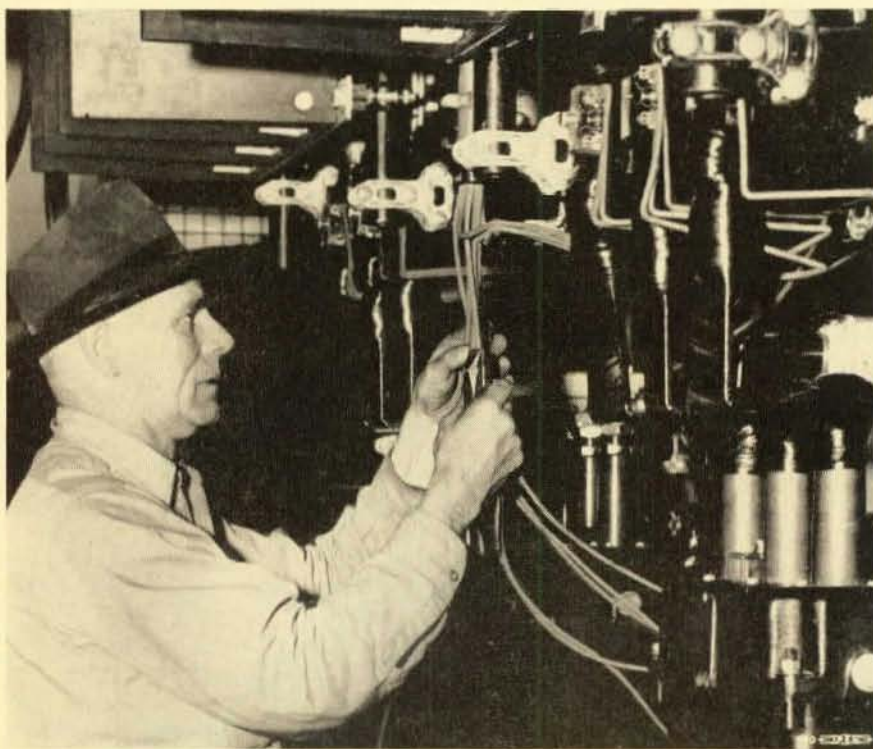


Fifty-two new journeymen electricians, with officers of Local No. 1 and the St. Louis chapter of N.E.C.A., give out with a happy smile at the conclusion of the graduation exercises held in the ballroom of the Sheraton Hotel.

L.U. 7 Installs State School Generators



Here is the power house switchboard at the Belchertown, Mass., State School showing center section moved out away from the board in order to keep 75 K.V.A., generator in operation while panels from the new 300 K.V.A. and 400 K.V.A. generators were fitted into place. The operation was performed by members of Local 7, Springfield, Mass.



"Bill" Donohue of Local 7, Springfield, Mass., connects secondary wires from current transformers mounted on new oil switches at Belchertown State School power house, where more powerful generators were installed.

Schmitz, Joseph Francis Schneider.

Lester Senf, Louis F. Spranaitis, Carl N. Stuard, Roy David Turner, Elmer J. Virga, John Oliver Ward, Roland N. Weber, John L. Whitelaw, Wallace O. Willenbrock, William H. Williams, Vernon E. Wischmeyer and Frank D. Witeka.

Bresnan, Matthews, Metzger, Meier, Weber and Williams are currently on honorary withdrawal cards in the military service of the U. S.

Rehling, Meier and Leo Dougherty were selected in an N.E.C.A. contest as the outstanding apprentices in the electrical industry in the St. Louis

area, and Rehling went ahead to win top honors last year in the 7th District of the N.E.C.A.

At the same celebration, two over 50-year members of the I.B.E.W. were honored for their long and faithful service as International Secretary J. Scott Milne presented them with membership pins and scrolls.

The two 50-year members are:—Alois Rieckus of 95 Bowen Avenue in St. Louis, who was initiated into the I.B.E.W. July 16, 1900. In addition to his 52 years as a union member, Rieckus last week had another fine reason for celebrating—his 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. Rieckus is 72½ years of age, having been born June 26, 1879.

—Hugo Schroth of 4527 Adelaide Avenue, Born January 16, 1876, today at 76 he is 3½ years older than Rieckus. He completed his 50 years of continuous membership in good standing in the I.B.E.W. on August 15, 1950, having been inaugurated into membership on that date in the year 1900. Both Rieckus and Schroth continue to work at the trade.

FRANK KAUFFMAN, P. S.

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Reviews National Political Picture

L. U. 3, NEW YORK, N. Y.—At this writing it begins to look as though the Republicans are getting set for a "Donnybrook Fair" type of Presidential convention such as is usually expected of the Democrats. With four candidates for the nomination already in the race, the fur is beginning to fly. General MacArthur, the pet of the McCormick-Patterson newspapers is being touted, by them, as a possible "Dark Horse."

For the Democrats, at this time, only Senator Estes Kefauver has signified his intentions of trying for the nomination.

Of the four avowed Republican candidates, three, Taft, Warren and Stassen can honestly be called anti-Labor because of past performance, Eisenhower has no such record, politically, and therefore must be judged on his military record which automatically gives him an A-1 rating as a man. The question in this case is not so much what HE would do as it is what would that conniving bunch of politicians that WE send to Washington do to him if he should assert himself to try to do something for the good of the Nation without first making sure it "Would be good for the Party."

Some would say that Eisenhower must be a good politician or he never could have done the job he did in Europe in organizing the invasion. We prefer the term "diplomat." Our

thought is this; suppose Eisenhower were to come out against the Taft-Hartley Law or for Civil Rights Laws which could easily be possible with a non-political minded man. What members of President Truman's own party have done or tried to do to him on this score, principally for financial gain for a minority gives one an idea as to what politicians can and do do for selfish purposes. It must be remembered that President Truman is no amateur when it comes to politics.

Senator Kefauver made a very good impression during his crime investigation but beyond that the writer knows little about him and will withhold comment until more is learned.

In our last *real* letter, for August 1951, we dwelt on the hypocrisy of Congress in dealing with the tax question—how they make a great to do about cutting expenses but actually accomplish nothing because each one thinks his particular expenses are indispensable and that the other fellow should take the cuts.

In this connection we would like to quote from a newspaper column by Sylvia F. Porter, who, strange as it may seem, writes on financial affairs in a way which can be understood by the average man. She writes on the budget for 1952-3 and states "The Congress has already lost the so-called power of the purse," principally because the sums involved are so great "and the activities of government have become so complex that no Congressman could possibly keep track of the various projects."

To confirm this belief she called on Theodore R. Cates, an economist of the National Industrial Conference Board, who has made a long-time study of the budget. Miss Porter quotes him as follows, "Take this year's budget," he said. "Of the total being spent, 48 per cent is the result of acts by Congress in previous years. Some of the projects on which money is just now being spent were authorized by Congress as far back as 1936! Another 20 per cent is earmarked for an "open" program also determined by previous laws and unless Congress backtracks on the statutes, the money must go out. Congress has clearcut discretion over only 32 per cent of the entire total."

"That's one reason why despite all its early pledges to slash billions Congress usually ends up voting even more than the President asks. Mechanically, our tools for budgeting are archaic."

So there it is. We all know that the carrying charges on the national debt are tremendous of themselves. Yet they must be paid. The spending of the original sums was voted by Congress, not by the present President or any other White House incumbent. Also a good part of our tax burden at present is and **MUST** be for defense armament. Therefore

until your Congressmen start to really whittle down on their own pet "Pork Barrel Projects" and we as individuals or local groups quit asking for government handouts for items that we should take care of ourselves, there will be precious little real economizing. Talk of economizing by our national representatives is therefore about 99 per cent political propaganda and will continue to be until Congress really uses a planned economy such as the Hoover Plan or others similar.

The point of all this is that if we really want economy and honesty in government we must get rid of a lot of our legislators who are still trying to legislate under the rules of "The Roaring Twenties" and put in men with modern ideas.

FREDERICK V. EICH, P. S.

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Recounts Career of Fifty-Year Member

L. U. 9, CHICAGO, ILL.—We wish at this time, belated as it may be, to extend to the officers and members of the I.B.E.W., best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

May 1952 bring better contracts, in the way of conditions and welfare benefits and a lessening of critical world tension that will eventually lead us to the peace the peoples of the world sincerely desire.

A short time ago I visited another of our fifty-year members to find out a little more about the history of our local. This jaunt took me to 7940 South Aberdeen Street, on the south side of Chicago, to the beautiful home of Oscar Ohman, card No. 35812.

Meeting Brother Ohman one would never think he was on pension. A short time in his company and you are stringing feeders, setting poles and all the other activities necessary

to keep Chicago's transportation system in operation. One is under the impression he is still actively engaged at the trade.

Brother Ohman was born in the southern part of Sweden in the city of Ystad on January 28, 1878. He came to the United States in March of 1890 at the age of twelve, went to work for a Dr. Gunn as a yard boy, cutting grass, washing windows, etc. A youngster running errands to the hospital for the Doc, he was a source of great amusement to the nurses and other hospital help because of the curious, anxious ambition he had to learn to speak the language and adopt the customs of his new environment.

After a short time he went to work for a milkman as his helper. That was in the days before bottles were used. They made two trips a day with pouring cans for \$15.00 a month. In 1894 he went into the milk business on his own. He worked at this job for a year, then his feet got itchy, so he sold the business and went to the north woods where he worked as a lumber jack.

He returned to Chicago in '97, went to work as a laborer for the Chicago City Railway. They were extending the Kedzie Avenue line from 38th to 63rd street. The poles were set in utice cement. In 1900 Portland cement was first introduced for use on construction work.

Brother Ohman was learning to climb and do other work, so by 1899 he became a lineman. He made several attempts to join the union but with little success. Then a chance meeting with Brother Bill Knapp, he hit pay dirt, and was initiated in the union in May 1901. He was initiated at Sam T. Jacks Burlesque House, in the lodge hall on the third floor.

Brother Ohman said in those days we really had meetings. He recalled



Brothers, we want you to have your JOURNAL! When you have a change in address, please let us know. Be sure to include your old address and please don't forget to fill in L. U. and Card No. This information will be helpful in checking and keeping our records straight.

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Contribute to Los Angeles County Fair



These are members of L.U. 11, Los Angeles, Calif., who made ready and maintained the electrical aspects of the recent 1951 Los Angeles County Fair at Pomona. They are, front row, left to right: Gus Kettner; Robert Mann; Bill Wells; Robert Richards; L. E. McCracken; Robert Spettles and Roy Page. Back row, left to right: Dudley Goul; Leo Huffman; Al Ramsey (Supt.); John Leach; Wells Black; Howard Harvey; C. C. Hawes; Homer Porter; Allen Auer and Eddie Seymour, posing for THE JOURNAL.

Earl Jackson was business agent, Bill Jackson, president, Jack Polling, recording secretary. Sometimes the meetings were so heated that they had to turn the clock back so they could legally pass bills for current expenses. He further stated that in those days the local had a lot of talented Brothers who used to entertain at their smokers and parties and they used to have loads of fun.

Brother Ohman worked as a line-man and temporary foreman until he became permanent foreman in 1909. If workers were scarce the foremen used to hire on the job, but when help was abundant they had to hire out from the downtown office. It was at one of these times that Brother Sam Guy, our former business agent, and his partner hit Chicago from Kansas City and hit Brother Ohman for a job. He asked them where they came from, when they told him about the strike in Kansas City he told them that union men were not on the "must hire" list at that particular time. He told them of a scab outfit in the southern part of the state that would do for reference. They took his advice and reported to work for him the next morning.

I asked Brother Ohman about some of the interesting jobs he remembered. He stated there were too many to remember but recalled one of the early jobs that demanded a little extra speed; that was the viaduct at 40th and Halsted, from Root to 39th. It required 9—65-foot poles with 6 feeders on a side. All the feeders were transferred, a job completed within three weeks. The eight line-men that completed the chore were Sam Guy, Tom Singer, Bill Zip, Jack Kyser, Dan Meaney, Jim Crane and Jim Bonslog.

Then there was the time they raised

the elevated lines 9 feet to clear the railroad between State and Wabash at 39th and 41st St. It carried 18 feeders of 350 and 500 CM. They brought special poles from the Snake River. 6—72 foot poles—14 inch tops and 3 foot—7 inch at the butt. They could only carry one pole on a wagon. The poles were set with 3—10 inch shive blocks with 1¼ inch rope from a 55 foot Gin.

Brother Ohman recalled that the Grip men and conductors on the old cable cars were paid by the trip. They electrified this route from Lake Street to 63rd and on Cottage Grove from 27th to 71st Street.

Then another short job that took a bit of doing was the electrification of the loop on State Street, starting at 18th street to Lake street and around the loop, and they were given three whole days to do it in—and with a sigh, as if the job had just been completed, Brother Ohman said "we done her."

A sleet storm called a rather humorous incident to mind. They were called out on a rather bad storm. Poles were leaning against the buildings and the situation was in an alarming condition. They went to work, and hard—sometime after dark Brother Ohman said to his boss—"I need some money to buy dry socks and gloves for the men"—he received \$20.00. He called the gang and they went to buy the supplies—looking in the window of a liquor emporium, attracted by its friendly, warm atmosphere, they entered. When their socks and gloves were dried and the "double saw" used up, they sallied forth to labor on.

Brother Ohman was married on October 26, 1901, to Anna Carlson from Guttenberg, Sweden. They have two married daughters and four grand-

children. Between household duties, fishing and his little basement workshop, the Brother is enjoying his pension to the fullest.

NICK BURKARD, P. S.

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Union Members Must Register and Vote

L. U. 28, BALTIMORE, MD.—This year, 1952, is not only Leap year but Election year. Along with this March issue will come the first primary election for a Republican candidate for President. March 11th will start one of history's bitterest battles for the love, honor and mink coats of Capitol Hill.

What a beautiful chance this year for 15 million union workers, providing of course they are all registered voters. Brothers, it is interesting to note just how few are.

I had lunch a few days ago with a group of Baltimore business men and among them was Brother Ed. Johns, executive secretary of Baltimore Federation of Labor. The conversation eventually got around to politics and labor. During the course of conversation someone made a remark that in Baltimore not fifty percent of union men are registered voters. Brother Ed. Johns at once jumped up and said that that estimate was very much overrated and added that a much closer estimate would be between 35 and 40 percent. That last remark was awfully hard for this correspondent to believe.



Brother Patrick H. Ridenour, member of L.U. 18, Los Angeles, California, is now serving a tour of duty in Brazil. Brother Ridenour, a wire superintendent on a 21-mile towerline job, informs us that 75 percent of the line will be built through tropical jungle. The operation will take about two and a half years. We wish him success on the job.

Later that week I went to a Brother Electrician, a member of Local Union No. 28, (he prefers to remain anonymous) and asked his opinion. His reply was—a check had been made of the members of Local Union No. 28 and it was found that only 60 percent of the membership were registered voters.

It seems to me (of course I can be and usually am wrong) that if a person has the ambition and intelligence to be an active member of a labor union he would assume it a patriotic duty to be a registered and regular voter of this country.

This year's election returns should read like the national debt. Just imagine over 30 senators and over 300 Congressmen are to be voted into office in this coming election. Brother you could do a lot of good if you would register and vote.

Another outstanding feature of 1952 is Leap year and as legend goes it makes the lady eligible to propose, in other words get her man. I don't know what she would want him for. This is supposed to be a man's world but I must say man sure has loused it up.

And so the time has come for us to close this little note and we will, with this little word of truth from Sir Sidney, "No sword bites so fiercely as an evil tongue." A few more bits of philosophy—"The tongue being in a wet place is likely to slip when going fast."—"Finding one of your own faults and doing something about it—is better than finding a dozen of your neighbor's."

A. S. ANDERSON, P. S.

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New Steam Plant Contract Negotiated

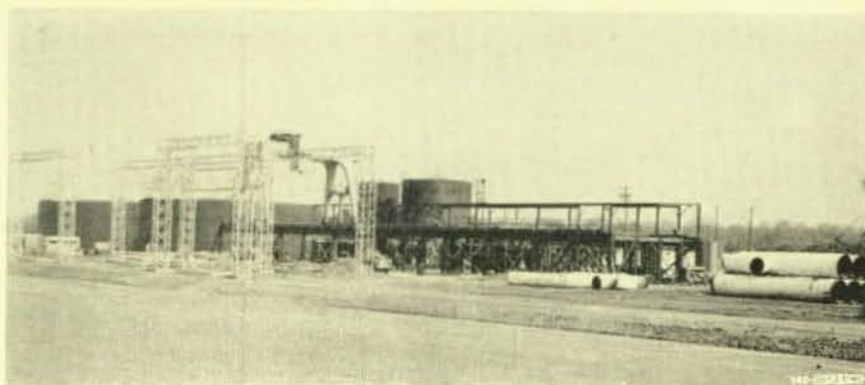
L. U. 47, ALHAMBRA, CALIF.—Very recently representatives of Local 47 met with representatives of the California Electric Power Company at Riverside, California and negotiated classifications and rates of pay for bargaining unit personnel that will operate the new steam plant that the company is building at Highgrove, California. All parties are pleased with the results of the meeting. Twenty-five or more members will be employed at this plant.

The ground was broken for this plant in April 1951. Present plans are to energize the first 30,000 kw unit on or before June 1, 1952, the second 30,000 kw unit will follow in 30 days. A third unit of 40,000 kw will go on the line in 1953.

The plant will be of the "outdoor" type and enclosed is a general view of the plant and grounds in the construction stage.

C. J. SANDERS, B. R.

Local 47 to Operate Steam Plant



Here is a general view of the steam plant and surrounding grounds, belonging to the California Electric Power Company, located at Highgrove, Calif. Contract negotiations have been completed and the plant will employ twenty-five or more members of L.U. 47, Alhambra, Calif.

Short Negotiations Notice Proposed

L. U. 58, DETROIT, MICH.—During the past month our Wage Negotiations Committee has announced a progressive platform for negotiations with our employers in the near future. They are attempting to insert an amendment into our present working rules. The amendment under consideration would permit our negotiations committee to negotiate for more wages on short notice if and when there is a change in the present formula by the Wage Stabilization Board in Washington.

Our present agreement with the Detroit Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association comes up for renewal in May, and our committee is giving the chapter sufficient notice of intent to amend the present agreement. The negotiations committee is also keenly interested in discussing such important issues as paid holidays, and vacation with pay, for our construction membership.

The Wage Stabilization Board has ratified our application for an increase in the hourly wage rate for construction journeymen and apprentices. The journeyman's hourly wage rate has been increased from \$2.85 per hour to \$3.00 per hour. The apprentice wage rate was boosted \$.15 per hour. The present rate for apprentices starts at \$1.45 per hour and increases \$.10 per hour every six-month period for the tenure of the four-year apprenticeship. Our negotiations committee has done a good job in bringing up the apprenticeship wage during the last two negotiations. It certainly is worth while to point out at this time that the increase in the apprentice's wage rate during the last two jumps was approximately the same as that given to the journeyman electrician.

Just a running comment to remind

all of the Brothers that Local Union 58 has approximately 110 members in the service of the Armed Forces. Approximately one-half of the total are apprentices. Our local union is continuing the policy of sending each of our members in the service \$15.00 quarterly besides taking care of all mercenary fraternal obligations.

JOHN MASER, P. S.

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Trio Has Narrow Escape on Highway

L. U. 67, QUINCY, ILLINOIS—It won't be long now before we have summer with us again. Then all the boys will be happy again for the work that was held up during the winter can be worked on again.

We have had some very bad weather during the last months of '51 and the first months of '52—some of the boys working out of town can prove that. Brother W. E. Hartzell, M. Hartzell and L. Brinks, driving their truck back from Kinderhook, Illinois, slipped off the icy highway and went into the ditch. Luckily no one was injured. Brothers Poepping and Griffin, driving over the same road from Louisiana, Missouri, came to their rescue and drove them back to Quincy, but they gave credit for their safe arrival home to their guardian angel, whom they said, was riding in the back of the truck. Brother F. W. Skaggs, our business manager just back from vacation, slipped from an icy curb, fell and sprained his ankle which put him on crutches for a week. Brother Orville (Porter) Long suffered a broken leg that put him out of work for about seven months. Brother B. J. Heckle, who has been ailing with a sore arm has returned to work after six months lay off.

Brother Peach Hartzell made the headlines in the paper with a picture

Receives His 45-Year Pin



Brother Floyd Miles, center, who received his 45-year pin recently in Seattle, is shown with J. Scott Milne, International Secretary, and Lloyd C. Smith, Business Manager of Local Union 77.

showing a panelboard he was explaining to the principal of Adams school. This panel operates the fans, rings the bells, also the chimes. I think fires the furnace and sometimes even blows the fuses. (Thought I was going to say something else.)

I would like to thank Brother W. Eckhardt of Local 11 of Los Angeles for the card he sent. I would like also to say that Brother Robert Marold's wife presented him with a baby girl, January 20, 1952. Congratulations, Bob!

February 14 is Valentine's Day and everybody likes to receive a card or letter on that day. So let's all send the boys away from home one and make them feel good.

March 17 is St. Patrick's Day, when everyone wears the shamrock in honor of the patron saint of Ireland. I cannot say much about work as there is no new work coming up—just enough to keep everybody going.

A thought just went through my mind—a chuckle for today: "The words 'In God We Trust' were placed on pennies for the benefit of those who use them for fuses." I would like to have a nickel for all the pennies I've found.

I think I had better stop now and try again next month.

R. H. LUBBERING, P. S.

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Veteran Worker for City in Retirement

L. U. 77, SEATTLE, WASH.—A dinner was held at the Hungerford Hotel in Seattle, Washington on November 13, 1951 honoring Brother

Floyd Miles who was retired from the Seattle Transit Company.

Brother Miles was presented with a diamond studded pin indicating 45 years of membership in the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

He joined the Brotherhood, Local Union No. 77 on April 5, 1906 which was nine years after the local was chartered in 1897. He was at that time employed by the Bell Telephone Company.

For the past 38 years he has been employed by the City Light of Seattle and the Seattle Transit System.

Brother Miles was President of Local Union No. 77 five times and a member of the Executive Board at various times. At the time of his retirement he was treasurer of Local Union No. 77, a position in which he had served for two terms.

We have been exceedingly fortunate this year in our utility negotiations and have completed all of the agree-

ments whose anniversary dates fall on January 1st. Shown below are the utilities negotiated, together with the 1951 and 1952 Journeyman Linemen scales and the percentage increase in each instance.

These negotiations were carried on by negotiating committees elected from the membership, who were present with the Business Manager and his assistants at all negotiations. The final offer of management, upon completion of negotiations, is submitted to the membership for acceptance or rejection by a secret referendum ballot.

We have numerous other utility contracts with anniversary dates of March 1st, April 1st, and May 1st which, according to the precedent established, will no doubt be settled on the same basis.

The five-year Grant County Public Utility District agreement, with the escalator clause, has just completed its first year. A percentage standard was written into this agreement based on the journeyman lineman's scale as 100 percent. Thus the groundmen receive 75 percent of the lineman's scale, the head groundman or truck driver receives 82½ percent, while the line foremen receive 112½ percent. Other classifications are computed in proportion. A similar ratio or percentage basis is used for computing the office workers' scales in the same utility, with the exception that the scales are computed on a monthly basis rather than hourly.

This agreement is based on the cost-of-living figures of the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the Seattle area.

Organizing work is progressing with Farmers Mutual Telephone Company of Lynden, Washington. A majority of the employees of this company have signed applications for membership and a petition for authorization has been filed with the National Labor Relations Board.

Effective January 1, 1952, the first signed agreement with the City Light of Seattle became effective. This agreement closes a long struggle for Union recognition for 900 members of Local 77. The agreement was

	Former Scales	Percentage Increase	1952 Scales
PUBLIC OWNED UTILITIES:			
Cowlitz County Public Utility District.....	\$2.32	7.8%	\$2.50
Lewis County Public Utility District.....	2.31	8.2%	2.50
Snohomish County Public Utility District.....	2.32	7.8%	2.50
Franklin County Public Utility District.....	2.35	7.8%	2.53
Grays Harbor Public Utility District.....	2.30	8.7%	2.50
City Light of Seattle.....	2.25	8.9%	2.45
City Light of Centralia.....	2.30	8.7%	2.50
City Light of Ellensburg.....	2.26	8.4%	2.45
PRIVATE OWNED UTILITIES:			
*Puget Sound Power and Light Co.....	2.27	7.9%	2.45

* (This increase subject to Wage Stabilization Board approval)

negotiated by Local 77 and 21 other local unions, which constitute the Joint Crafts Council. A wage increase of 8.9 percent makes the journeyman lineman scale \$2.45 per hour, and the scale is \$2.34 per hour for senior operators. This increase constitutes the highest percentage increase received by a group of this size in the local's history. Through the precedent set by Local 77, we obtained double time for overtime and shop to job conditions for all other locals involved in this contract. These conditions were not enjoyed previously by these locals.

Local 77 is experiencing considerable jurisdictional difficulties on hi-line construction contracts with the Operating Engineers, Laborers, and Teamsters. These unions have banded together with avowed purpose of taking away jurisdiction enjoyed by Electrical Workers for many years. They have gone to the extent of encouraging the general contractors to bid on all electrical construction with a promise that they will completely man these jobs to completion. Their main appeal to the contractors is their ability to do the work cheaper because of their time and one-half instead of double time for overtime, and eight hours on the job instead of shop to job conditions that we now enjoy, as well as lower scales for their workers. With the prospects for 1952 of one of the biggest years in construction in the State of Washington, we no doubt will be faced with endless jurisdictional squabbles, unless these matters can be settled by the Internationals involved.

L. C. SMITH, B. M.

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Annual Party for Local 79 Stewards

L. U. 79, SYRACUSE, N. Y.—We are about to encounter another presidential election year. With the selection of a President there will be 435 House seats and 31 Senate seats to be filled by selection. If you are interested and open minded you will do well to put your radio or TV repairman under yearly contract and be sure to lay in a supply of tubes for them. Some of those politicians can burn out the tubes very fast.

Senator Taft is already busy constructing his band wagon as other Republicans are drawing the blueprints. They say General Eisenhower has consented to have his name entered in the Republican race. All the people in both parties know and most all agree with him on his foreign policies, but nobody seems to know anything about his domestic policies. This leads me to think that the only interest they have in General Eisenhower is their belief his popularity

Local 79 Stewards Gather



This picture was snapped at the annual party of the stewards of Local 79, Syracuse, N. Y. Pictured are, front row, left to right: A. DeBello, Gas Meter Repair; M. Calli, Local Vice President; H. Milligan, Meter Readers. Second row: F. King, Press Secretary; P. Reap, Local President; C. Warner, Manlins District; J. Kaul, Lighthouse Hill District; F. Sanderson, Lighthouse Hill District; J. Hamilton, Bennets Bridge. Third row: R. Fuller, Building Maintenance; Kelley, Stores Department; F. Wales, Line Department; McChesney, Lighthouse Hill District; M. Foster, Tully District; J. Kennedy, Gas Service Department. Back row: W. Dantanello, Local Financial Secretary; R. Obrist, Local Recording Secretary; E. Horrigan, Business Manager; E. Kuntz, Electric Meters; G. Gehm, Subway (Cable); N. Burns, Plant Department; J. Hunt, Gas Production; R. Barry, Lamp Department; A. Welch, Switchboard Operators; T. Grinnell, Cortland District; J. Benarski, Transportation Department. High man back: R. Binns, Skaneateles District. K. Ranny, Local Treasurer and S. Barron, Switchboard Operator were absent when picture was taken.

will win them votes. They will mold him to their policies after he is elected, they think. Would not it be something if he were elected President and then turned out to be another Teddy Roosevelt?

The stewards of Local 79 had their annual get together at Collins Grill on South Geddes Street on December 11th. I am sending a picture of the group. President Reap gave a short talk and congratulated them on their good work in handling grievances and criticized, too, where he thought it was needed. These stewards are a fine conscientious body of workers for the local and deserve every member's cooperation.

In reviewing the 82nd Congress' past record, it was a dismal failure in slowing down price upsurges. In many respects the law passed contains built-in inflationary pressure deliberately intended to force ceilings even higher. They placed the burden of new taxes upon the shoulders of the lower income bracket people. They failed the national housing problems by yielding to the real estate lobbies. They failed to enact civil rights, assistance to medical schools, yielding to the A.M.A., and failed to close loopholes in the evasion of tax collections, but have become suddenly righteous in investigating and prosecuting the tax officers. What is done from now on will be done by the 83rd

Congress. The most important factors in political influence today are real estate and the American Medical Association.

FRED KING, P. S.

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Unique Father, Son Membership

L. U. 80, NORFOLK, VA.—Greetings to all the Brothers everywhere. Well, Brothers, we imagine that Local 80 has about one of the most unique father and son memberships in the I. B. E. W., and of which Local 80 is proud indeed. Am enclosing the photo of Brother R. C. Matter and his three sons, J. R., F. M., and C. E. Matter. Brother R. C. Matter was initiated September 15, 1926. All four are journeyman wireman and pay their dues quarterly. Brother Matter is truly to be complimented, and the fact that his sons also chose our organization, is in itself a sound endorsement of the I. B. E. W.

A couple of notes from Local 80 members (working out of town), who are ardent readers of our JOURNAL, were passed on to us. Hi ya, there, Brother Dick Eaton up in Falls Church, Virginia, and Brother Frank Tebault up in Lorain, Ohio, (who pays his dues by the year). Sure glad to hear from you wire-twisters. Long

time, no see. Wish some more of our old buddies would drop a line and let us know how things are.

Work in this area is about the same as has been reported from time to time, and projects are being completed in order. The Norfolk-Portsmouth Bridge-Tunnel project is reported up to schedule for its completion date of May 11, 1952, and it is felt that it may seal the doom of the old Norfolk-Portsmouth Ferry system which has about served its purpose.

An interesting AP release in the Washington, D. C. *Times-Herald* of January 26th, discloses the fact that General Eisenhower once, during his high school days, responded to a toast, and made a little speech at a Democratic banquet, condemning the Republican Party. This article should eventually be in all papers—don't miss it Brothers. Although his party may forgive this youthful presage because of his natural vote appeal, they must concede that he was not blind, even at that age, to their well-coordinated "High Finance" technique. As we are commonly known as the common people, then are we not (with apologies to Kipling) "Sisters under th' Skin," by virtue of our common objective, "Security?" Au revoir.

J. V. HOCKMAN, P. S.

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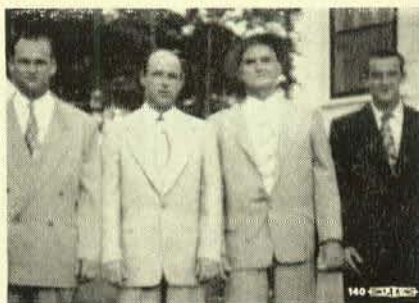
Work and Materials Scarce in Fresno

L. U. 100, FRESNO, CALIF.—With election year facing all the locals in the United States it is already becoming apparent that the officers and members are going to be plenty busy for the ensuing year, for it seems that every State in the Union has its share of labor-hating political aspirants who are really enthused by the success their fellow travelers have made of themselves in the last few years.

If Uncle Sam doesn't come through with some government work for this area, or ease up on the materials, the officers and members of this local union will have plenty of time to devote to political action. However, we are hoping that there will be some changes made.

Our agreement is open now, and has been since November 1st, 1951. So far we have been unable to convince the contractors that we need twenty-five cents more per hour, which would bring us up to \$3.00, although they have agreed to start Apprentices off at 50 percent of the journeyman's wage.

We threw a Christmas Party for the children of the members of Local Union 100 on December 15th, 1951. In the past we have had dinners and picnics. But the Christmas party for the kids seemed to go over better



Brother R. C. Matter (second from right) is shown with his three sons, J. R., F. M. and C. E. Matter, all four members of L.U. 80, Norfolk, Va.

than anything else—even for the Ma's and Pa's. The Denise Studio of Dancing put on an hour-long Kiddie Show that was very well presented, and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Brother Merlin Ivie who lives at Shaver Lake, high in the Sierras, donated a beautiful 30-foot silver tip tree, that took some 20 members of Local Union 100 about 200 hours of their own time to decorate. Business Representative John Linn was Santa's Representative, each child had a present from Santa.

The evening was capped off with a benefit dinner for Brother Chet Miller who has been in the hospital since July with one serious operation after the other. Brother Miller is very well known in line and mixed locals throughout the country, and all who know him know what a fine fellow and union member he is.

Although it's a little late we want JOURNAL readers to see a picture of the Christmas tree surrounded with presents, with Executive Board Member Frank Foreman, Brother R. E. Lawrence, and Business Representative John Linn in the order named sharing the spotlight.

WALLY WORTHINGTON, P. S.



This beautiful silver tree was a highlight at the Christmas party given to their children by the members of L.U. 100 of Fresno, California.

Urges Support for Political League

L. U. 103, BOSTON, MASS.—Greeting Brothers. Of prime importance these days is, "Who's going to get in next term?" Wouldn't you like to have something to say about it? You can and must say something about it. How? Contribute to the fightin'est outfit on the labor front, Labor's League for Political Education. We have seen all sorts of propaganda, most of which we can recognize immediately. How much of it is directed against candidates who are and have been friends of labor in the nation's capital! How are we to know who is who when most of our syndicated publications are controlled by the National Association of Manufacturers and the Chase National Bank—champions of anti-labor legislation. It is difficult for Mr. John Q. Public to sift out the men who are being coated with mud from those whose wives are mink-coated.

What does Labor's League for Political Education do? They strive to put men in Congress and other jobs important to the labor movement. To attain this end they ask that every A.F. of L. man register and vote in the coming election. They ask that you contribute the small sum of one dollar, voluntarily, to effect this end.

There are 500,000 members in our League. A half a million dollars is strong talk. Let's get together and help those who are trying to help us. In exchange you will receive the *League Messenger*, one of the most dynamic labor papers of our day. Here you will get the down-to-earth story behind the headlines on various Congressmen and labor leaders who might have you confused on their standing regarding anti-labor legislation. Facts and figures are quoted that will reveal the tremendous hoax that is being perpetrated on the American public by the anti-labor press. So brothers, get up and support our fighters by supporting Labor's League for Political Education.

Since my last writing we have had several deaths in the local union. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the members of their families in their sorrow. I am informed by John Queeney that there was some difficulty with one or two of the cases regarding beneficiaries. Let me stress the importance of having the proper beneficiary listed in your insurance certificate. Check your beneficiary and avoid a lot of red tape when you get that life time job and claim your insurance.

On December 5, 1951, The Joint Apprentice Committee for the Electrical Construction Industry of Greater Boston, held its annual graduation exercises for the boys who had completed

Apprentices' Banquet at Local 103, Boston



These were the labor and industry leaders who gathered at the graduation banquet for 51 apprentices of Local 103, Boston, Mass., held in December, reading left to right: Gerald Connors; Edward Sharkey; Hubert Connors; John A. Gilmour; John J. Regan; Paul S. Goodwin; John F. Queeney; Joseph Libbon; William Smith; Norman Richardson, and Ted Laven. The banquet is an annual affair.

their four years of apprentice training. Fifty-one young men received certificates of their accomplishment and will now go forth into this great industry as full fledged and competent journeymen.

Apprentices in Local 103, Boston, who have completed their Apprenticeship Training: Edward H. Anthonson, Louis J. Antonellis, Joseph L. Balfe, John E. Barrett, John F. Begley, Jr., Francis L. Bittorie, Joseph G. Cannon, Lauris H. Chase, Thomas F. Hines, Albert J. Hughes, John R. Jones, Joseph M. Joyce, John J. Kelley, Walter L. Kester, Sidney Konigsberg, Alfred M. Kumins, Paul E. Macusty, Kenneth E. Marshall, James M. Madden, Raymond A. Miller, James A. McCarthy, Joseph C. McCarron, Lawrence J. McLennan, Paul Ottino, Leonard J. Priore, Joseph F. Pagum, Ferdinando Paris, Robert R. Raeke, Wilson G. Russell, Ray F. Samuels, William Schieb, Wilfred E. Short, Brendon E. St. George, William E. Taylor, Howard C. White, William J. Williamson, John McClellan, Ernest R. McCloskey, Leonard Freed, Emmett Barden, Lawrence Laven, John Cullen, Christopher Hursh, James R. Kirchner, William C. Schlaich, Francis M. McInerney, Patrick F. Henaghan, Lawrence B. Pelrine, George Bayides, Leo O'Donnell, George Ecklund.

The main ballroom of the Manger Hotel was the setting for this wonderful gathering and a grand dinner was culminated by a timely word of encouragement and congratulation by the top men in the Apprenticeship Training Field and the Electrical Construction Industry.

The first speaker introduced by Paul S. Goodwin, chairman and supervisor of Apprenticeship Training for Local 103 of Boston, was Mr. Joseph Libbon, Secretary of the Joint Conference Board for the Electrical Industry and business manager for the Contractors Association of Greater Boston. In his remarks to the

graduates, Mr. Libbon stressed the importance of the influx of "new blood" in the Electrical Industry. He encouraged the new Journeymen to persevere and one day they would take the places of many of the men who were present at the head table as heads of construction companies and superintendents of Electrical Contracting Companies.

Following Mr. Libbon was an inspiring address by State Director of Apprentice Training, Hubert Connor. Mr. Connor elaborated on the remarks of the former speaker regarding new blood in various industries. He gave a vivid example of almost complete disintegration of an industry due to the laxity of training of replacements. He cited the great and world renowned granite industry of Quincy, Massachusetts. Here, at one time, was a vast industry employing hundreds of men. Their products were shipped to all corners of the globe. Everywhere could be noted the craftsmanship of the men of the granite industry. What has happened in recent years? Due to the fact that there were no replacements, this great industry has practically become extinct. A scant hundred or two now represent the craft that one day boasted hundreds. Mr. Connor concluded his remarks with a hearty congratulation to the graduates and an orchid to the instructors of such a fine group of young men.

The toastmaster, after introducing the assembled honored guests at the head table, called on the International Vice President of the New England District of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Mr. John J. Regan. Mr. Regan told the graduates that he had started in the same apprenticeship training as a helper in 1911.

The evening was concluded with an entertainment program.

Head Table: John J. Regan, Vice Pres. N. E. Dist. I.B.E.W.; Joseph Libbon, Bus. Mgr. Electrical Contractors Assoc.; Hubert Connor, State Di-

rector Apprenticeship Training; John A. Gilmour, Pres. Local 103, Boston; John F. Queeney, Sec.-Treas. Local 103; Paul S. Goodwin, Toastmaster, Supt. of Apprenticeship Training, Local 103; Edward Sharkey, Instructor of Apprentices; Gerard Connors, Stearns, Perry & Smith, Electrical Contractors; William Smith, Federal Apprenticeship Supervisor; Norman Richardson, Pres. Wilkinson Elec. Company; Ted Laven, Federal Electric Co.

GUS GILMOUR, P. S.

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Chlormycetin Plant For Grand Rapids

L. U. 107, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—The World's first and only plant for the exclusive manufacture of an antibiotic by chemical means will soon be in operation when the Parke Davis and Company factory begins the manufacture of Chlormycetin. The plant is located in Holland, Michigan, and covers a 28-acre plot. It has been in the process of remodeling for a year. The installation of equipment has been a major item. I like to describe the interior of the plant as a "Forest of Pipes."

The process of synthetic manufacture is extremely complicated. In one part of the building giant machines make flake ice for cooling the chemical reaction requiring 18,000 lbs. of ice and one hour for a single batch. Unusual precautions have been taken to make sure no waste materials get into the waters near the Plant. Engineers drilled a 1600-foot well far below any source of surface water, into which chemical waste will be pumped. Water from 40 different wells, having a total of 1,000 gallons per minute will supply the need of this huge plant.

This antibiotic is playing a major role in the fight against infection both in civilian life and for the armed

Workers at Chlormycetin Plant



These members of Local Union 107, Grand Rapids, Mich., are identified in the accompanying letter from the local.

forces. This drug was introduced two years ago and has been found effective in the treatment of more than 30 different diseases.

Kirkhof Electric Company had employed close to 50 electricians at the peak of construction.

I am enclosing a picture of the crew of electricians on the job taken at Christmas time.

Reading left to right, back row: A. Baird, C. Sargeant, A. Postmus, C. VanNoord, foreman, R. Downing, J. Boven, W. Rickling, E. Visser and J. Stover. Front row, left to right: K. Doane, H. Perry, L. Bloomberg, C. Dielman, R. Alfieri, foreman, A. Fonger, G. Mellor and Tony Alfieri. Chet Meyers, general foreman, took the picture.

LLOYD R. BLOOMBERG, P. S.

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Plant Progresses In Colorado Springs

L. U. 113, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO—Well Brothers, this is the propaganda station for the Pike's Peak Region.

We are here for several reasons and included among these are: (1) reporting local news and conditions. *News*—our power plant is progressing slowly but surely, and the tie line between Colorado Springs and Pueblo is now under construction. No help is needed on either of these projects. *Conditions*—at present are pretty fair with only one member now on the bench. Our business manager believes he will be able to place him shortly. (2) Informing our local men that we have two meetings monthly 1st and 2nd Wednesdays. We would appreciate a little better attendance in the coming months. (3) Most important at this time of year—this year—propaganda for the truth about politicians and the coming election.

Don't misunderstand me!—I believe the L.L.P.E. is doing a bang up job. IF!! there were only some way to make the hardheads of our organization and other unions read their articles and digest them. Unfortunately, this is not possible due to our great democratic system; which we would not change for the world. We are taking the medium of this article in hopes that a few of those aforementioned persons might by some chance read these words. It would pay us all to check the possible candidates for Federal and State offices. Check their qualifications against the qualifications we desire in our public officials. We as union men should be able to recognize those qualities, which would suit our interests. However due to the ignorance of some individuals—which is no excuse—they either don't or won't take the time to get the facts.

These persons might ask—what are these facts? You good union men forgive me for repeating things you know and understand. This is for those sad sack individuals who don't. The facts are—you shouldn't be side tracked by honey-mouthed, sweet-talking politicians who are just waiting to get into office so they can stab you (as a working man) in the back. The L.L.P.E. was organized for this purpose—to find out who those individuals are and expose them—to then find the real champions for our cause, and then publish these facts that we may all know our friends and foes, and be able to distinguish between them. In case the cause we're speaking of has slipped your minds; here it is—we are constantly striving to improve, through our unions, working conditions and standards of living. This is accomplished with sane and sensible negotiations with our contractors. The political champions of our cause should be

willing to try and erase, or at least remodel the anti-labor laws of our Federal and State governments. A remodel job could make them an assistance to both employers and employees instead of a hindrance at our negotiating tables, and a detriment to our laboring population.

One more reminder before we leave you. Support the L.L.P.E.!! Send in that dollar so they will be able to carry on the good fight that we may all benefit by the findings they will present to us. Register and vote. Come on gang, there is power in numbers and we outnumber the opposition. WE CAN WIN IF WE TRY!!!

I want to take this opportunity to thank Brother W. Eckhardt of Calistoga, Calif. for his card. Thanks again it was much appreciated.

So long for now, and don't forget what a union is. Remember also the principles of our own I.B.E.W.—LET'S PRESERVE THEM!

ELDON "PETE" COLE, P. S.

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New President for Texas Local Union 116

L. U. 116, FORT WORTH, TEXAS—Brother John R. Granger, Sr. is the new president of Local Union 116. Brother Granger was elected by our Executive Board to succeed Brother Bryan Haney who recently resigned for personal reasons. Brother Haney had been chairman of L.U. 116 for six years.

I really enjoy the mail I get from Brothers in other locals, also the comments they make on the articles I write for the *WORKER*. I would be glad to hear from just any member of the I.B.E.W. and especially the pensioned members like Brother W. Eckhardt, formerly with L.U. 11 in Los Angeles from whom I recently received a nice card.

Speaking of pensioned members, it was a pleasure to have Brother Holman Swor and Brother Stokley Broiles present at one of our recent meetings. They and other pensioned members are always welcome.

Our 11¼ cents per hour wage increase has been in effect for about two months and with all the trouble we have I think we should start negotiating a new agreement immediately. It always takes a lot of time and we are always late in coming to some understanding. Our Contract Committees, also our bylaws Committees would find it much easier and could do a better job if we had all bought and used that poll tax receipt in the right way. To stay within our present labor laws and have a good contract and good bylaws is a problem, and, Brother, we are to blame. Be sure to vote and cast that

vote so that it will do the most good for organized labor.

EARL ROBINSON, P. S.

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Outstanding Fete For 50th Anniversary

L. U. 117, ELGIN, ILL.—By far the most successful yearly anniversary party ever staged by Local 117 was held recently at Fritz's Crystal Lodge near Crystal Lake. Upwards of 250 union members, executives from Kane and McHenry counties, city and county officials and friends, gathered together in observance of the 50th anniversary of Local No. 117 which took place in the form of a dinner, presentation of service pins to members of the organization and dancing. Presiding at the affair was C. L. Stanley of Elgin, business manager for Local 117, I.B.E.W. He opened the evening's program following dinner by praising the former business manager, John Collins, for the years of devoted service he gave to the organization. George Smith of Elgin, served as toastmaster.

Twelve members of Local No. 117 were eligible to receive pins for 20 or more years of service with the I.B.E.W. and the pins were presented by G. A. Baldus of Chicago, International Representative.

Before presenting the pins to the members present at the dinner, Mr. Baldus congratulated the Local on behalf of Vice President Boyle and the International Office for its excellent cooperation through the 50 years that it has been organized.

"There are only a few places in the world today where such a gathering as this can take place. I trust we all realize the privilege we have in being able to live together.

"The record your group has accumulated through the years speaks well for Local No. 117. You have conducted yourselves well and are a credit to your community," concluded the International Representative.

Service pins were then presented to seven of the 12 men eligible for the awards who were present to receive them. They were: R. W. Pinkerton of Carpentersville, oldest living member of Local No. 117, now on pension, and 33 years a member of the organization, and to Frank Schumacher, 31 years, Walter Lenke, 29 years, Lyle Betts, 26 years, W. C. Mielke, 24 years, Percy Gould, 23 years and E. D. Van Fossan, 22 years.

Other members of the group who were eligible for pins but who were not present were Dave McCarthy, formerly of Elgin, but now of Ludington, Michigan, 49 years; R. A. Copley, 42 years, Frank Nohl, 41 years, Bennie Benson and Lewis Bauman, both with 31 years of service.

In addition, four new members of

Veteran Members Honored in Elgin



At the 50th anniversary dinner of Local 117, Elgin, Ill., these veteran members received their service pins. They are shown, front row, left to right: Frank J. Schumacher, 30-year pin; G. A. Baldus, International Representative who made the presentations; R. W. Pinkerton, oldest living Local 117 member, 30-year pin. Back row, left to right: Walter F. Lenke, 25-year pin; W. C. Mielke, 20-year pin; Percy Gould, 20-year pin; Lyle Betts, 25-year pin, and E. D. Van Fossan, 20-year pin. Five others were also honored who are not shown. The photo is from the ELGIN COURIER NEWS.

L.U. 117 received apprenticeship certificates: Howard Hoagland of Elgin, Peter Kelder and Jerry Kotlaba of Cary and Robert Martle of Crystal Lake.

C. L. STANLEY, B. M.

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Suggests Individual's "Capehart Amendment"

L. U. 125, PORTLAND, ORE.—This is the time of year when preparation for negotiations must be started. And as usual the most vital item on the negotiation agenda again this year will be an increase in wages. But in the long run, of what value is a wage increase if it is more than offset by increased prices. We certainly get ahead fast. Most all statistics indicate that an individual's net income, after paying all expenses, is decreasing continuously regardless of bank statements to the effect that savings are increasing. Whose savings do they have reference to? A law should be passed granting every individual the same rights as enjoyed by corporations under the Capehart amendment which guarantees a price adjustment to provide a profit. Has a corporation any more right to make a profit on an article it has to sell than an individual has to profit on the only thing he has to sell, his labor? Well my friends there is one way in which

situations of this nature can be changed. Remember there is an election coming up this year and we have the votes if we care enough to exercise that privilege.

I was quite amazed over the letter from Brother Julius Otten, L.U. 17, Detroit, Michigan, appearing in the December JOURNAL in which he states his opinion on Federal Power. It is most apparent that the Brother is not only prejudiced but has failed to acquaint himself with all the facts of the subject before expressing himself and has resorted to half-truths and misstatements, at least as it applies to the Northwest.

Our Local Union No. 125, having a divided membership from both private and public power enterprises, has taken the stand that it will not engage on either side in the controversial public versus private power issue. As an officer of my union I feel bound by this ruling and will refrain from arguing this issue in the JOURNAL. However, I shall be only too glad to do so on a personal basis. Yes, I am an employe of Federal Power. But I do take exception to the Brother's statements when he brings the union status into the private-public power issue and feel free to argue the case on this level.

Here in the Northwest, where the power consumption per customer is the highest in the nation and its cost

Poem of the Month

YOUR MISSION

If you cannot on the ocean
Sail among the swiftest fleet,
Rocking on the highest billows,
Laughing at the storms you meet,
You can stand among the sailors,
Anchored yet within the bay;
You can lend a hand to help them,
As they launch their boats away.

If you are too weak to journey
Up the mountain, steep and high,
You can stand within the valley,
While the multitude go by.
You can chant in happy measure,
As they slowly pass along;
Though they may forget the singer,
They will not forget the song.

If you have not gold and silver
Ever ready to command,
If you cannot toward the needy
Reach an ever-open hand,
You can visit the afflicted
O'er the erring you can weep;
You can be a true disciple,
Sitting at the Saviour's feet.

If you cannot in the conflict
Prove yourself a soldier true,
If where the fire and smoke are thickest
There's no work for you,
When the battle field is silent,
You can go with a careful tread;
You can bear away the wounded,
You can cover up the dead.

Do not then stand idly waiting
For some greater work to do;
Fortune is a lazy goddess,
She will never come to you.
Go and toil in any vineyard,
Do not fear to do or dare;
If you want a field of labor,
You can find it anywhere.

—Ellen M. Huntington Gates

the lowest, both public and private power utilities are also very conscious of their customers' needs and give immediate service with highly trained IBEW craftsmen. Any utility is in service, either private or public, for one purpose only, to meet the needs of the customer. In addition to the private utilities in this area there are two large municipal power systems, the Federal system, comprising the Bonneville Power Administration, U. S. Engineers and Reclamation Department and a large number of county wide Public Utility Districts. These systems are all IBEW organized and under the jurisdiction of L.U. 77 and L.U. 125.

Historically the municipal systems have led the field in rates of pay, the number of holidays and other conditions. As the Public Utility Districts were formed they also followed this policy and some have exceeded it. The federal system maintains wages at an approximate average or higher level and also maintains other superior conditions. On information from the International Office wages and conditions of electric utility workers here in the Northwest are superior to any other area in the United States. The public power systems maintain the lead in all conditions here in the Northwest.

Contrary to statements of the Brother, the 400 IBEW members transferring from the Puget Sound Power and Light Company to the Seattle City Light as a result of the recent purchase, improved their position. With very few exceptions wages remained approximately the same or were increased, the number of holidays was increased and no benefits were lost. Since the transfer all wages have been increased. True, there was a change in pension status but I believe the services of a C.P.A. would be required to determine the changed financial condition of the members involved. I am not in a position to state what was told to the unions by the Public Utility Districts with regard to the cancelation of rights held by union members, but suffice it to say that Unions 77 and 125 hold signed contracts with the districts and other public power bodies that were negotiated through collective bargaining, equilateral triangle or not. And the members take these contract agreements most seriously.

It is true that all public power bodies in the country do not hold "union" and its policies in as high regard as do these bodies here in the Northwest just as it is also true that all private power bodies in the country do not have the same high regard for "union" as the private bodies here in the Northwest. How much better for all concerned if we recognize this and spend our efforts in converting the unorganized instead of knocking the ones who are taking

the lead in establishing better conditions.

We here in the Northwest, members of IBEW, are also highly specialized craftsmen in many branches of the electric utility trade and take pride in the part we have played in advancing our standards under both public and private power enterprises and we shall continue to do all within our power to enlarge on these standards. That it seems to me, should be our main goal in life, broaden or enlarge our standards.

I quite agree with the Brother that it should be the duty of every one to be well informed on current events and all phases of government so that we may intelligently take action that as citizens we are duty-bound to do. But remember there are always two sides to every question and until we hear both sides we cannot call ourselves well informed.

FLOYD PARKER, P. S.

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L. U. 131 Feels Materials Pinch

L. U. No. 131, KALAMAZOO, MICH.

—Another deadline is fast approaching, if we expect to make the March JOURNAL. Ye scribe is using two fingers again, as the cast was removed from the arm two weeks ago and the fingers are limbering up gradually and becoming more or less useful once more.

Brother Lloyd Bishop is convalescing at his home after surgical treatment at the hospital.

Local Union No. 131 is planning on honoring their 25-year and older members in April. The plans are still in formative stages. Brother Neil Holtzer is chairman of the committee in charge. More about that in later issues. Brother Holtzer and wife are now in Florida, soaking up the sunshine and trying their hand at deep-sea fishing.

More of the Brothers have had to seek employment in our neighboring cities as the material shortage becomes more acute.

In reference to Brother Lance's statement from L. U. 11 at Los Angeles regarding the powder-operated stud guns, they have been outlawed, not only by L. U. 131 but by the Building and Construction Trades Council of Kalamazoo. Our members have only the allotted number of eyes, fingers and other equipment necessary to those wishing to follow the electrical trade and have no desire to part with any of them needlessly. We are able to say, along with some other states that we have had "unusual" winter weather. According to the weather bureau we had 30 1/4 inches of snow-fall during November and December. The snow removal units were kept busy for some time.

Another unusual feature is that we had no sub-zero weather so far and we are able to do without it as far as we are concerned.

We are in process of negotiating with the Kalamazoo Electrical Contractors Association, for amending our agreement, including the wage rate. Several of our neighboring cities received a cost-of-living raise, which we are working to attain.

The Michigan Federation of Labor is sponsoring an electrical licensing and inspection law for the state to protect those living outside of municipal areas against unsafe wiring methods, used by some unscrupulous contractors as well as from some with insufficient knowledge of the trade, who attempt to do for others, something that they do not understand themselves. We have attempted this several times since our former law was nullified by the courts some years ago, but without success. We have some hopes this time.

L. FLOYD PUTNAM, P.S.

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Write-up Lauds Ardent Hobbyist

JOINT BOARD LOCALS 132, 140, 142, 144, 147, 148 and 149, PITTSBURGH, PA.—William E. (Red) Eisenberg, member of the board and recording secretary of Local 148, received quite a write up in Charlie Dancer's "Pittsburghesque" column of the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* for January 30, on his collection of transportation tokens. Brother Eisenberg started collecting tokens 15 years ago. He now has more than 2000 in his collection. During World War II, when, as a flight chief in the Air Force, he picked up quite a few from buddies who had leftover tokens from the home-town Toonerville. Collector Eisenberg has transportation items from every State and 20 foreign countries. One prize item is a black celluloid disc for passage across a foot bridge at Kittanning, Pa. Another is an 1875 horse car token from Oakland, California. Brother Eisenberg is a member of the American Vecturist Association and plans to attend the convention in Colorado Springs, Colorado on August 2, 1952. If there are any other collectors of these items in the L.B.E.W., I'm sure Brother Eisenberg would be glad to hear from them.

We have just received the final okay from the WSB, granting complete approval of our entire contract. In next month's column in the JOURNAL, I will enumerate the gains we made in this contract.

1952 is an important election year. To vote you must have REGISTERED. A good union member must be a good citizen first. Good citizens

ALWAYS VOTE. You can't vote unless you are registered. In Pennsylvania, registration must be made in person and is permanent if elector votes every two years. Register any time, except 50 days before and five days after primary and 50 days before and 30 days after election. Register for the primary through March 1. For election, April 28 through September 13. Resident requirements are, in the state, one year; the county, two months and the precinct, two months.

L. L. P. E. Do YOU know what these letters stand for and what they mean to you? Labor's League for Political Education. Its object: Good Legislation. Big business has its organizations and lobbies to fight legislation favorable to the working people. Those candidates who concern themselves with the problem of the working people usually have very little funds with which to conduct their campaigns. That is where You and I and ALL LABORING people can help those who help us. Join now for 1952. JOIN THE LABOR'S LEAGUE FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION. You can become an LLPE member on payment of \$1.00. Get your LLPE card from your union officers.

In the words of Samuel Gompers, "If the wage-earners would only realize and understand what force and power there is in organization and unity of action, and how unconquerable and invincible would be the hosts of labor so united, surely they would join the union in greater numbers, and the organized would cease their strife and unite in one solid body."

Alice Tisdale Hobart, the "story teller for democracy," has written a new novel, "The Serpent-Wreathed Staff." It is a story dealing with National Health Insurance, the program endorsed by the AFL. I have read this book by Mrs. Hobart and besides being good reading it is also very educational with regard to how such a plan works. I would suggest this as a must-reading to labor people.

HARVEY C. COOK,
Secretary-Treasurer.

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Describes Home of Hydro Electric

L. U. 138, HAMILTON, ONT., CANADA.—In the December issue of the JOURNAL I promised you a tour through our new building and an account of the fine conditions we of Hydro enjoy.

In one picture accompanying this article is the building Hydro used as an office from the time of its inauguration until last year. That stretch of time covers a period of some 20

New Home for Hydro in Hamilton



This modern and efficient new structure is the new home of the Hydro Electric Company of Hamilton, Ont., Canada described in the letter from L.U. 138.



Here are the headquarters which the Hydro Electric Company of Hamilton, Ont., Canada occupied for some 20 years prior to their occupancy of their modern new quarters.

years and likewise in that time through normal expansion of a city the size of Hamilton, this building became outdated and overcrowded. There was also a need for the co-ordinating of the various departments under one roof to increase the efficiency and smooth operation of Hydro as a whole. So it was with a great deal of pleasure and happy hearts that we left our old home and moved into our new quarters depicted in the other accompanying pictures. The building as you can see is of ultra modern design and the very latest ideas of every kind have been incorporated in its construction. We are indeed very proud of our new home.

Now let us take a walk around our

new building and review some of the outstanding features. I think the first thing that you will notice is the accent on daylight and fresh air. The building is a mass of windows creating natural daylight, thus lessening the eyestrain of employees whose duty it is to pour over books or drafting boards, as the case may be. It is well heated and air conditioned so that no matter what the elements outside may bring, the inside is always comfortable. The interior is well decorated and lighted, creating for the management, employee and customer alike a homey atmosphere. Hydro customers enjoy a congenial atmosphere when attending to business at the office and those wishing to purchase any of Hydro's many appliances find the Hydro shop large, airy, well laid out with a large picture window to cast natural light upon the appliances.

On the first floor we find chiefly the store room and affiliated offices. The store room is much larger, lighter and better laid out, than our old one, making it easier for storekeepers to find any article desired by the men for a specific job. Hoists are provided at each loading platform for the convenience of men and storekeepers alike to load and unload trucks thus lessening the strain that would otherwise be necessary. The garage is located at the rear of the storeroom and is well lighted and equipped, complete with grease pit. Gasoline pumps and air pumps have also been installed, just one more step to add convenience to all concerned. The entire area frequented by trucks or company cars is well aired so that fumes will not become disastrous to any employee.

In the basement is the garage for storage of company cars and trucks and also the lunch room and wash room for the employees. These two rooms make up almost half of the basement. The lunch room gives the impression of a fine restaurant except that you must bring your own food. As elsewhere it is well lighted and air-conditioned. The floor is marble, the tables and chairs are numerous, a sink unit such as you would find in a modern kitchen is available as well as an ice water machine.

On the various floors above the street are to be found the various offices necessary for a project of this kind. There are offices for the management, the various departmental heads, pay office, drafting and blueprinting rooms, the accounts section for the handling of customers' accounts and so on, each one complete and modern in every way. So our hats are off again to our management for the splendid home, for the thought and consideration they have given each one of us in the construction of it to make our work day more congenial because of suitable surroundings.

Well, I hope you have enjoyed this gabfest with me and will return again next month when we hope to tell you something of our job and our working conditions. Our negotiating committee has completed our new contract and as soon as I get the dope I'll pass it along to you. Also watch for an extra special article in the near future. One of our employees is the Pipe Major of the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders Band which last year competed in Edinburgh, Scotland and broke many world wide records. We are proud to have Jock as a Hydro employee and we know you will enjoy reading of his adventures over there in Scotland.

D. W. A. NASH, P.S.

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L.U. 142 Active in Blood Donor Drive

L. U. 142, PITTSBURGH, PA.—At the January meeting of Local 142, it was decided to start a blood donor service. The following members volunteered to serve on a committee to establish this service: Dave Graffius and Bob Hunter of the Boiler Gang, Chuck McCall, Turbine Operator, Norb Schwartzmiller, Stoker Operator and Harvey Cook, Instrument Repair Crew. A meeting of the committee was held the next week and the plan and how it works was thoroughly discussed. Your correspondent was elected chairman of the committee. The plan is very simple and easy to operate. Every one who wishes to participate in the plan

gives his name, telephone number and type of blood to any member of the committee. A list is then compiled. When a member needs blood for himself, or any member of his family, he contacts a member of the committee and tells him how much blood is needed, the hospital where it is to be given and the patient's name and room number. The committee then informs the members whose names are listed on top of the list and a record is kept as to the date blood is given so no member will be called oftener than every three months. We do ask any member who gives blood to anyone outside our service to give us the date to enable us to keep our records up to date. In the two weeks we have been organizing we have over 100 members. If you have not signed up for this service and want to do so, see any member of the committee. We will be glad to give any information as to how this plan works to any local interested.

On the last day of 1951, Carmine (Charlie) Torchia retired from this Local. Charlie started to work for the Duquesne Light Company on July 26, 1916. For all but a few of the 36 years Charlie has worked for the company, he has been a stoker operator at the Brunots Island station. Charlie was presented a wallet and a sum of money by his fellow workers. The officers and members of Local 142 extend to Brother Torchia good wishes, good health and many years of retirement. See picture of Charlie and some of his gang.

On Friday, January 18, Brother Ed. Wisniewski, Coal and Ash Gang, had a severe accident. He caught his arm in a belt and received severe lacerations. Fortunately, no bones were broken. The last I heard, Ed is coming along ok, but it will be some time before he will have the full use of his arm. LET'S ALL BE CAREFUL AND DO THAT JOB MORE SAFELY. ACCIDENTS DON'T HAPPEN — THEY ARE CAUSED.

The new Elrama Station is now being manned. Lou Allen and William Palmer, of the Coal Gang; Jimmie Smith, clerk and Chuck Jones, switchboard Operator, have already transferred to that station. Quite a few of our people will eventually be transferred to this new station.

This paragraph is written under duress. Bob Nelson has threatened to remove me as press secretary unless I include his remarks. It seems when I go bowling and get a lot of pins, I am accused of organizing the pin boys and Nelson claims that some pins fall that could only have done so by assistance from the pin boys. I think the real reason is the superior bowling of the Stokers Team, composed of Mike Rosso, Bud Whittaker, Joe Herdman, Chuck Gasper and myself. The Stokers Team won the first

L.U. 142 Honors Retiring Veteran



Carmine (Charlie) Torchia was presented with a wallet and a sum of money upon his recent retirement from L.U. 142, Pittsburgh, Pa., in which he has been a member since 1916. He is shown here (center) with some of his congratulating friends and fellow workers.

half and after losing three games the first night of the second half, has come back and is now in second place by one game.

The smoke screen seen over B. I. today was caused by the cigars passed out by Bougs McManama on the occasion of the birth of Michael Patrick McManama. The luck of the Irish to Mrs. McManama and the new son.

Thanks to you fellows for the compliments received about these articles. If you have any criticism, let's hear it.

HARVEY C. COOK, P.S.

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Christmas Party A "Huge Success"

L. U. 146, DECATUR, ILL.—On December 15th, Local 146 held its annual Christmas party in the U.A.W. hall on the corner of Jasper and Eldorado Streets. We wish to take this opportunity to thank the U.A.W. officers for their kindness and generosity in allowing our members the privilege of holding our party in their hall. The Christmas Committee is to be congratulated also on the fine manner in which the whole affair was handled. The attendance was very good, considering the extremely cold weather that night, when the temperature dropped to seven below zero. Everyone seemed to have a good time, especially the kiddies, who enjoyed a visit from Santa Claus in person, with gifts for each and every youngster.

One of the most popular spots in the hall was the snack booth, presided over by Ed White, who served sandwiches, coffee, ice cream and cold drinks, with the assistance of other



Members of L.U. 142, Pittsburgh, Pa., pause in their chat to smile for the camera. Front, left to right: Bob Nelson, Materials Man; and Mike Rosso, Field Chemist. Back, left to right: Joe Lynch, Jr., Test Engineer; and Frank Waelchli, Chemist Asst.

members on the committee. The members all joined in playing Bingo after refreshments and some wonderful gifts were won by the lucky players. The majority of these fine prizes were donated by the local electrical contractors, who contributed to make the local's party a huge success. Between what Junior and Sis collected from Santa, and what Dad or Mother won at Bingo, some families took home some lovely loot.

At the last regular union meeting a letter from John Clark was read to members present. John is now in the electrical contracting business in Texas, and is reportedly doing fine. Several members have had recent letters from Ted Hill in California, who has been admitted to the local in Santa Ana, where he is living. Glen A. Wilson and Kenneth E. Zie-

Popular Feature of L.U. 146 Party



Presiding over the dispersal of refreshments at the Christmas party of L.U. 146, Decatur, Illinois, are Fred Ullom and Ed White. The photos were taken for THE JOURNAL by Business Agent A. C. Kohli.



This fine mound of gifts soon disappeared as prizes were distributed to Bingo winners at the Christmas party held by L.U. 146, Decatur, Illinois.

mer were obligated as apprentice electricians at the last regular meeting. Guy Eugene Sumpter was obligated as a sign electrician. At the December meeting of the Joint Apprenticeship Committee the following new officers were elected for the coming year: Bob Wayne, chairman and William Hamilton, secretary. A new member for the contractors, Frank Hubbard, was also present for this meeting.

I'm a Grandpa now—it's a 10 pound, 14-ounce girl!

Well, gang, that about does it for this time. If you have any news you would like included in the next issue, please call 6480 or write me, care of 1073 E. Main Street and we will try to oblige.

BOB WAYNE, P.S.

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Check-off Health Insurance Payments

L. U. 149, PITTSBURGH, PA.—One quick look at the calendar tells me it is just two days till the end of the month and that means time for the JOURNAL column. I haven't yet quite

figured out why I wait till then for this task, unless it is with the hope that something interesting to write about will pop up. There are two good ways to make the time pass quickly; one is to have a note at the bank and the other is to write a column.

One of the additional items negotiated in our new contracts with the Duquesne Light Company and the Equitable Gas Company was the check-off of the companies for Blue Cross and Blue Shield insurance payments. The membership responded very nicely to a drive for new members in the plan and our acting Financial Secretary Harry Egger, deserves a vote of thanks for the time and effort he put forth to make the program a success. Our stewards, too, are to be commended for the fine work they did in promoting the drive.

Brother Milton B. Sturm, of the central office of the Power Stations Division, Duquesne Light Company, retired from active service on February 10, 1952. As a parting gift from the Local, he received a \$25 U. S. Bond. Good luck and good health in your retiring years, Milt, and may those years be many.

It is with sadness we note the death of Lida S. King, retired member, formerly employed in the Treasury Department, who passed away on January 9, 1952. A gracious lady, she will be missed by her family and friends.

Delegates from Local 149 to the Pittsburgh Central Labor Union attended the recent banquet held to honor the Golden Anniversary of the founding of the Central Labor Union. The local politicians were out in force and the major address of the evening was delivered by James McDevitt, President of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor. Brother McDevitt was recently appointed Director of the AFL Labor's League for Political Education and in his remarks, stressed the need of careful consideration as to the qualifications of those who will be candidates for office in the forthcoming elections. I am

not a political writer, neither do I take active part in any political campaign, but this I can say, we still have the right in this country of ours to choose our leaders in government by the secret ballot. Make sure that you and those of your family eligible to vote, are registered and when election day comes around, do what is your duty, go to the polls and vote. Vote as you please, but vote. Only by the exercise of our right to do this, can we keep our country free and democratic. This may be a little previous to election time, but it doesn't do any harm to put out a reminder once in a while.

We hope by the time this appears in print to have made some progress in our organizing campaign to enroll unaffiliated personnel on the property of the Equitable Gas Company. Once we get from them the green light to go ahead, we'll get results.

Local 149 will soon have representation on the property of the Pittsburgh Railways Company, following segregation from the Philadelphia Company. Over a hundred of our members now engaged in railway work in the general departments will be transferred to the new railways organization about May 1st.

There are probably many things I could write about, but at this moment my thoughts are about as elusive as some of the characters who testified in the recent racket hearings before the Senate Committee. So I'll close this month's offering with this little observation on the state of the world. There is no doubt that Russia wants nothing but peace—a piece of Korea, a piece of China, a piece of the Philippines, a piece of India, a piece of Iran. Let's make sure they don't get a piece of us.

VERNER A. KORTZ, R. S.

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Outspoken Labor Journalism Urged

L. U. 175, CHATTANOOGA, TENN. When we are short of news or any script material we turn to philosophizing to cover up. It doesn't pay off, but it does give our readers some eye-opening thoughts to ponder over.

Your press secretary certainly doesn't pull his punches when it comes to fighting irregularities whether within unionism or whether from management. When we (the P. S.) feel a wrong has been done, we think it should not only be righted; it should be eliminated to prevent a recurrence.

Our letters to the JOURNAL and the scripts we write for our local labor paper (A. F. of L.) are rugged pieces of reading matter, in that we call a spade a spade in no uncertain terms, but in spite of so much of our material never reaching print in the labor paper—it can never be said that

we have ever written anything contrary to good unionism.

What we can't understand is why any union weakness is not strengthened instead of being covered up. Could anyone be so gullible as to believe that the anti-labor forces don't know our weaknesses? We've never been too happy over the LLPE for we feel that the E. has never reached the full meaning of Education.

That's a load off our chest, for we feel that 175 can handle its differences on the floor and at election times, and our position in the building trades is secure comparatively speaking.

We have stated that Widows Creek job, a TVA project, is a good job. That statement could create a lot of pros and cons, but if one is a steam plant construction man he would understand. The work is rough, but almost anything can be tolerated if safety prevails.

Now, that is the (unprinted) part we would like to bring out. Safety on this project is more nearly described by contrast than likeness to Chickamauga Dam—a 1938 project of TVA. "Aunt Teva" is certainly slipping somewhere. The old girl can give you accident frequency rates that make you dizzy, proving that safety is almighty, but we have yet to see a class taught in first aid since we returned to work for her. And—giving credit for a rush job being in progress—we've never seen such a conglomeration of materials scattered about—nor as many open holes in which to fall. One employe said that he expected the dust to be slippery this

summer as a holdover from the slick mud. Gravels? Yes, truckloads are hauled in every day—but we haven't seen any being spread where men have to walk.

That completes the load off our chest. Now all we have to do is sit and wait for our 77, but we aren't shivering, because we believe our boy in the coonskin cap can find us a dishwasher's job in Washington. After all, Estes, we went to the same school and "politicked" from Chilowee Park—way back when.

JOHN T. HARRIS, P. S.

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Vallejo Electricians Honored in Salute

L. U. 180, VALLEJO, CALIF.—Continuing the policy of highlighting the various activities of our Brother members, this month we salute the Brothers who work in the Electrical Department of the City of Vallejo. These salutes serve, not only to better acquaint all of us with the special problems and special skills of the different jobs done by our Brothers, but also, as a well-deserved pat on the back for our fellow members who are doing something different and doing it extremely well. By knowing our Brother better, we respect our Brother more.

First, there is no written contract between Local Union 180 and the City of Vallejo, but the City Electrical Department is 100 percent union and has been for many, many years—since the early days when Brother Andrew (Andy) Low and his son,

Dan Low, comprised the entire department. In those early days, Andy Low fought for and maintained a strictly union department and many a "boomer" and out-of-work lineman reveres Brother Andy's memory for the few days work or a friendly, helping hand when things got tough. Now, under the able and efficient direction of Dan Low, the department still enjoys the very best of relations with Local Union 180 and is continually expanding to furnish more and more jobs for our Brothers.

From a population of about 40,000 in 1946 to the present population of about 140,000, the Greater Vallejo area has made rapid strides and, with it, the City Electrical Department, working in close harmony with other city departments, all under the able direction of the city's energetic and progressive City Manager Alfred Wanger. The very best working conditions prevail as illustrated by the fact that all members of the department are now attending night classes in Electrical Code and advanced Electrical Engineering and the city paid all tuition and other charges. Seniority in the department ranges from 40 years for Brother Joe Vigeant to 10 years. All are journeymen electricians.

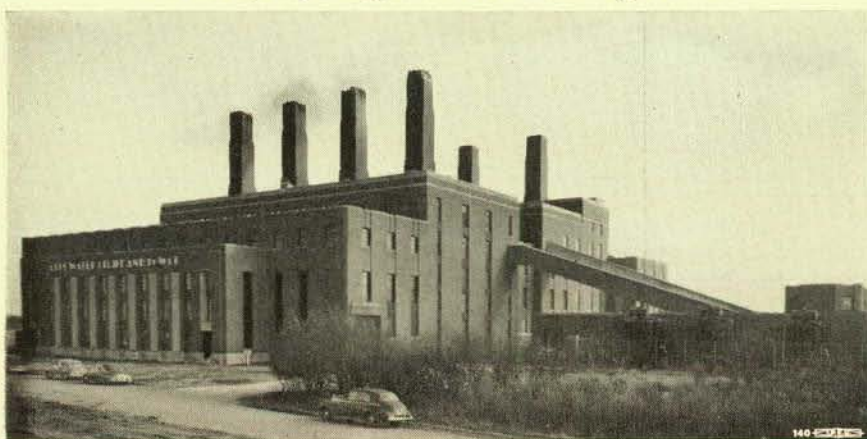
All electrical construction for the city, including buildings, installations and equipment is installed, serviced and maintained by these Brothers. An example is the recently completed athletic field at Wilson Park with 144 1500-watt floodlights mounted on 80-foot steel poles using an 800-amp main disconnect switch and miles of special cable.

Employees of Vallejo Electrical Department from Local 180

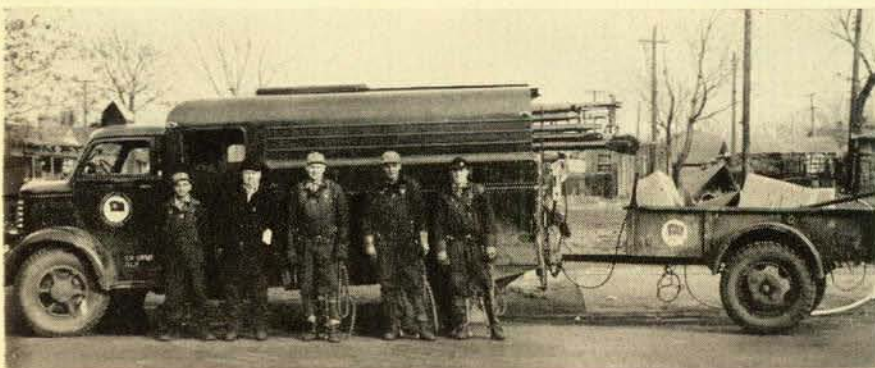


Among the 100 per cent unionized employees of City of Vallejo Electrical Department are these members of L.U. 180, Vallejo: George Guhl; Joe Vigeant; Keith Carr; George Campbell, and Dan Low, who is City Electrical Inspector as well as a member of Local 180's Executive Board.

View of Springfield Generating Plant



The Lake Springfield generation station at Springfield, Ill. is one of the oldest municipally operated power stations in the country.



This line crew of the City Water Light and Power Department Springfield, Ill., is identified in letter from Local 193.

The Municipal Fire Alarm System, comprised of 177 alarm boxes and over 150 miles of aerial construction, is maintained as is the traffic light system which has 16 intersection lights with their automatic switch boxes and miles of wire. The Municipal Radio System includes two-way police communication as well as the transmitters and receivers used by a modern city. Incidentally, all trucks and cars of the department have two-way radio instruments and are in constant contact with headquarters. Brother Keith Carr is the radio "ham" of the department and he is very progressive in this phase of the department's work.

These Brothers likewise look after all the city's water and sewage pumping plants, some of which are 40 miles from the city limits.

Brother Dan Low, an Executive Board member of 180, is City Electrical Inspector and is assisted in this important work by Brother George Campbell.

Besides Brothers Low, Vigeant, Carr and Campbell, mentioned above, Brother George Guhl is also a member of this hard-working crew and, on a job that can very easily cause ulcers, is sometimes known as a "two ulcer man on a three ulcer job." But with his determination, hard work,

study and application, he will probably enter the "three ulcer" bracket any day now. During a recent rain and wind storm, he and the others worked 21 straight hours to clear up damage and get the city's electrical systems back in tip-top condition. (Thus, the basis for the high ulcer rating.)

So congratulations to Manager Wanger, Mayor Demmon and the City Commissioners for their support of their excellent Electrical Department and congratulations to us for having such Brothers in our I.B.E.W. More power to them!

As for general notes on Local Union 180, the news is, like the weather, fair with occasional rain. Wet weather has slowed down construction somewhat, but most of our members are busy. Many are taking a special night course in Code and Electricity sponsored by our Apprenticeship School.

This present rainy weather reminds me of the wonderful publicity about California that states we never have rain, only heavy dew. Recently, we have seen that heavy dew wash away a few bridges here and there but it is still the only state I know of where you can get a swell coat of tan while waiting for the Coast Guard to rescue you from the roof of your

house. They say the weather man left town yesterday because, of all things, the weather just didn't agree with him.

Oh, well. See you next month.

D. V. McCARTY, P. S.

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The "B" in IBEW Means Brotherhood

L. U. 193, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—In 1919 there began an association between I.B.E.W. and one Jack Hans which we of the local are proud to relate. As a young man, Hans worked as a boomer lineman in the jurisdiction of many locals around the country. In 1928 Brother Hans began his association with the City, Water, Light and Power Company of Springfield which continued until 1943. At this time, like many others, Brother Hans turned to defense work. However, Brother Hans' working career came to an end in 1946 when one of his lungs was removed, and a series of events began that would try the courage and spirit of a lesser man. Hans remained in the hospital from October 1946 until June 1947. In 1943 Jack was hospitalized again, this time for the amputation of one of his legs. A second amputation of his other leg followed two years later in 1950. As we said before, such misfortune would have crippled the spirit as well as the body of many a man. But not Jack Hans. Then, in March 1951 came the biggest blow of all, when Mrs. Hans passed away. During these hard years, Jack's Brothers of Local 193 found they could alleviate his losses in many small ways—they stoked his furnace, kept his house in



Jack Hans.

order, saw that he had phone service, and replaced the old-fashioned ice-box with a modern refrigerator. This year, with the aid of Contractor Otto Krachik, some of the boys were able to convert Jack's warm air furnace to gas heat.

These services were not done merely because we owe our help to a fellow member in times of distress, but because we wanted to express our esteem for such a man as Jack Hans. The plight of Jack Hans has also brought into sharp focus the need for the Welfare Plan in our local. Jack Hans is our living inspiration toward this goal.

Jack still leads a cheerful, active life, independent in his own home. Jack says he would enjoy corresponding with any of his old friends who care to drop him a line. His address is 1133 North Ninth Street, Springfield, Illinois.

We are including some views of the Lake Springfield generating station of City, Water, Light and Power Company, which is one of the oldest municipally operated power companies in the nation. The utility workers of the department are members of Local 193. Shown with one of the line trucks are, left to right: Gladen L. Hamm, Foreman Jesse L. Colvin, Robert E. Hart, Lewis VanDeren and Harry Franchois. Not shown are Albert L. Birdsell and William L. Porter.

We have five new members obligated into Local 193. They are: Everett Beidler, Fred Heintze, Donald Craddock, Ross Jones and J. Edward McLaughlin.

CHARLES M. BARBER, P. S.

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Local Plans for 50th Anniversary

L. U. 210, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—By the time this article hits the JOURNAL, St. Valentine will have had his day and the Father of our Country will have had his birthday celebrated. In our local union, Washington's birthday is a holiday and it is my belief that all local unions could give this first president of these United States a little more thought than is generally exerted, because George Washington was quite a man.

With the presidential election coming up this November, it's too bad this great country of ours can't seem to come up with another George Washington. I'd give a long odds bet that Uncle Joe Stalin and Company would do a lot of heavy thinking before attempting to push a country around with such a leader at the helm.

This year will mark the 50th anniversary of our local and at this writing I sincerely hope that plans

PRESS SECRETARY of the Month



William Donohue

The press secretary we salute this month hails from the sunny south—L. U. 323, West Palm Beach, Florida. Brother William Donohue is not a native Floridian but he thinks every Electrical Worker should spend his retirement in that state "to live longer and enjoy good health and happiness in his older days."

Brother Donohue tells us that he was born in New York City before they had electric lights there—June 1, 1884. He was initiated in L. U. 3 of New York City, in 1913 and worked in and around the city until 1924 when he took a trip south, stayed four years and then returned to Long Island in 1928. He remained there until hard times "came a 'knockin' at the door" and he decided that if he was going to starve he might as well

starve in the sunshine, so he went back to Florida in 1933 and has lived there ever since.

Brother Donohue wrote us a beautiful letter which shows true union spirit and a wonderful philosophy of life. We'd like to quote from it.

"My life in the I. B. E. W. has been one of satisfaction and happiness. I always liked my job and was always contented with it. In my time I have not worked for many contractors. I could name most of them: Comstock, Johnson, Livingston, Lord and Knapp in the North, not many others in the South—Palm Beach Electric, Weber, Hamilton and Hime Electric. That's not many to spend so many years in this business.

"I have lived my life in the electrical trade and I will say that if I had another one to live I would do the same thing over again. I never have met a finer class of men. They were all my Brothers, and now that my time is coming to an end soon, I want to thank each and every one of the members of the I. B. E. W. for all they have done for me. And I want to thank the organization and wish the Brothers and the International all the success that is due them. May they both lead a long and prosperous life."

Thank you, Brother Donohue, from us all—officers, local unions, members of our Brotherhood. It is men like yourself who have made our union what it is today.

Thank you too, for the fine letters you write us for L. U. 323 so faithfully month after month. They are always welcome and we hope you will be sending them to us and enjoying the bright Florida sunshine for many years to come.

are going forward for its celebration. It should be a gala event, for its membership has increased from a handful to an organization of nearly 900. So, you Brothers, whoever you may be, on the different committees, do a good job for the local union as it has done a bang up job for you.

Just glancing around, I notice that quite a few of the boys from L. U. 211 are working in Trenton on the Steel Mill job. This past week, I met a very particular friend of mine from that local union working there, namely Eddie Martin. Don't forget what you said Ed, "about the wagon when the big event takes place."

Received a card from Brother W. Eckhardt of L. U. 11 in Los Angeles, California. Thanks a lot, fellow, I didn't suppose anybody that far west would be reading my article.

Thanks for those kind words Broth-

er Curtiss Brink. I have a lot of friends up there in L. U. 358, I hope now I can add your name to the list. As to Frank Bennett's middle name. He told me once what that middle initial stood for but it was also revealed in confidence and unless F.F. and a B. says it's O.K. I couldn't betray his trust.

I've been working with a swell guy from Lynn, Massachusetts, L. U. 377 one Tommy Thomson. He packed it in today and is taking off for Painesville, Ohio. Here's luck, Tommy, let me hear from you.

In answer to you, Bart (Curley) Maisch, about the golfing, I'd like nothing better but I only have one day off a week and that has to be spent with the family, particularly with my new daughter who incidentally is two years old this February 21st.

L.U. 213 Honors Bill Utterback



A long and faithful record of over 50 years with the I.B.E.W. was lauded at the presentation of a 50-year pin and scroll to Brother Bill Utterback of L.U. 213 by President Tolhurst. Seated, left to right: Vice President J. Waplington; Secretary Bill Daley; Brother Utterback and President George Tolhurst. Standing, left to right are the Executive Board members: Al McDiarmid, Jack McSorley, Art O'Keeffe, Alec Darland, Business Manager George Gee and Treasurer Ted Knight, who all joined in congratulations.

I understand the fellows had a swell time at the dinner in New York, given by the Jersey City Local Unions.

"Nuck Jeffries" of L. U. 211 is one of our foremen for Riggs and Distler at the Steel Mill and doing a good job. Hope that long shot comes in some day "Jeff."

Well, that about sums things up for another month men, so long till next dead line.

EDWARD DOHERTY, P.S.

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Executive Board Member's Resignation

L. U. 211, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Occasionally one of us scribes catches up with a time when we can't find a thing to write about, (so my better half says to me I want to see that time.) So with not too much adieu and not too much squelching I will try and prove my point. Your scribe was reading an article the other night about people who would like to have their pictures on a \$10,000.00 bill—not me I would be satisfied just to get my hands on one.

I understand through the grapevine that one of our members of the Executive Board of Local 211 has packed up bag and baggage and has moved to California. His monicker is William Harvey. What town he is working out of I do not know at this writing, but the scribe of Local 211 is wishing you the best of everything in your new undertaking. At our last meeting Bill handed in his resignation to be released of his duties on the "E" Board.

Here it is the 27th of the month and today I had occasion to chin a little bit with one of our local contractors. I will not mention his name at this time, but as told to me by this person personally, your scribe feels it is a D---D shame that one of our leading hotels here in this sea shore we live in can do such things and get away with it. Last July I had worked for this chap on a hurry-up job and it was all overtime for myself, another mechanic and a helper. That kind of stuff runs into a lot of green stuff and as you all know the mechanics have to be paid every week. To this day the contractor has not received one penny from this hotel and it amounts to quite a bit of dough. I can almost say that, with tears in his eyes this contractor will have to fold up his business because of the action taken by this hotel. This same hotel under different management at an earlier date left everyone holding the bag, but when this new bunch took over things were going to be different. Without taking a thing like this to court I believe that our local Chamber of Commerce should handle such cases. So don't be surprised, Brothers, that if at this reading you see this contractor back working with the tools as he still has kept up his card.

About the time you are reading this article Good old March 15th will have passed again for another year. Last year they tried to say that our taxes had been raised a gentle 2 percent. This was around October, but if you figure it real close you will find that the "bite" turns out to be an increase of about 17 percent. So look out for 1952 as you probably realize

by now they will go up to 30 percent. You take for example a man who is married and has two children and his wife to support and is trying to stretch his dollar as far as he can over his inflated grocery bill.

Suppose he has \$5000.00 left after all deductions and exemptions. I notice that he paid in taxes last year \$985.00 but his tax bill this year for the same amount is \$1126.00, a jump of \$141.00 or about 14.2 percent. As you know your scribe has harped on this before so here is a table, read it and weep. The first column is your salary, the second the tax you paid last year and the third column what you pay this year and the fourth column the increase which in most cases amounts to 17 percent.

\$3000.00	\$ 56.00	\$ 66.00	\$10.00
3500.00	134.00	158.00	24.00
4000.00	213.00	249.00	36.00
4500.00	291.00	341.00	50.00
5000.00	361.00	424.00	63.00

Before March 15th, the American Public will be saying "WHOT HOP-PONED." In conclusion "NEVER REFLECT ON A PAST ACTION WHICH WAS DONE WITH A GOOD MOTIVE AND WITH THE BEST OF JUDGMENT." Well for one who could not find much to write about it certainly picked up as I went along. See you next month Brothers, spring should be right around the corner and yours truly will be able to doff his longies.

BART "CURLEY" MAISCH, P.S.

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50-Year Member Honored in Canada

L. U. 213, VANCOUVER, B. C., CANADA.—At our last regular monthly meeting, Local 213 President George Tolhurst on behalf of the International Officers and the members of Local 213, presented Brother Bill Utterback, veteran member of Local 213, with a 50-year membership pin and scroll in recognition and tribute for Brother Utterback's long and faithful record of service to our Local 213—to the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and to the trade union movement as a whole.

On making the presentation, Brother Tolhurst thanked Bill, remarking that the local could be justly proud to count as one of its members a Brother who has seen Local 213 grow from a few linemen to its present position as one of the strongest, largest and most progressive units in the country, and that Brother Utterback had played no little part in the organization and guidance during its growth. The Brother President wished our Bill all the best for the future and expressed the desire that the membership will be able to enjoy the company and companionship of

Brother Utterback for many years to come.

In accepting the award, Brother Utterback thanked the International Officers and members of Local Union 213 for their remarks and good wishes. In a short outline of his experience in this and other locals of the I. B. E. W. the Brother reminded us that conditions were not always as good as they are today—but the gains we have made were won by the grit and determination of the Brothers in the past who could see that by working together for the common good we would finally be in a position to bargain collectively with the employer and obtain the proper return for our labors.

Brother Utterback mentioned that he was initiated in Local Union 216 in Owensboro, Kentucky on March 27, 1901 coming to Vancouver on August 23, 1909. Linemen in the old days would make the modern Mr. Fixit look simple. When Bill first put on the hooks he worked from eight at night until six in the morning. He was trouble shooter—messenger boy and night operator in the telephone exchange. Bill would answer the phone, write the telegram, dash out two, three or four miles with the message then get back and fall flat on his back in front of the board until the next signal came through.

After working all over the States and Canada, Brother Utterback decided to set his spurs in Vancouver. He's been here ever since—42 years—38 of them with the B. C. Electric, retiring from the company as foreman in charge of trolley maintenance.

Now Bill is interested in maintenance of his vegetable and flower garden and travelling—having covered close to 40 thousand miles of driving in the last four years—quite a record even for some of our young gaffers to shoot at.

Good luck and good gardening, Brother Utterback. Thanks for a fine example. We'll try to follow through.

ANGUS MACDONALD, Asst. B.M.

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Old-line Party System Attacked

L. U. 230, VICTORIA, B. C., CANADA—Through the medium of these pages came the pleasure of making a new acquaintance, recently, Brother W. Eckhardt of Calistoga, California, wrote expressing appreciation of one of our letters. Many thanks for your note Brother, may you find all ensuing letters equally enjoyable. So many things happen between JOURNAL issues that a 500-word letter barely allows us to touch upon them, while a letter such as that by Brother Otten of L.U. 17, in the December issue, requires an article to deal with

it adequately. One day we will ask the Editor to accept an article giving a different view point.

For the best boner of the month, the gilded doughnut with lettuce leaves goes to Congressman Timothy Sheehan of Illinois, for his bill "to incorporate Canada into the United States, as an additional group of states, or as a territory." We would send the Congressman a school history book if we thought he could read, it might help to bring him up to date. When confronted with such characters as McCarthy, Taft, Sheehan and others, it is not surprising that the workman distrusts the democratic process, and abstains from voting. Canadian legislators are frequently no better than their U. S. counterparts, there is however an unwritten law among the electorate that all candidates must have passed grade school. For years, a Tweedledum and Tweedledee political party system has prevailed in both countries, with the workman patiently playing it like a slot machine. He is always hoping to hit the jackpot next time, and is only now beginning to realize that slot machines, old line political parties and many other things are run for the benefit of the owner, not the workman. A historical political marriage between the Grits and Tories has recently been annulled in British Columbia. The next session of our Legislature promises to be lively, followed by an election. After ten years of coalition, Tweedledum and Tweedledee have decided to part company, and go it alone. The electors will probably leave them alone. Very glad to see a letter from Brother Cocklin of Halifax in the January issue. We would like to hear from him as to the observance of safety measures in the Halifax shipyards. Our local safety situation is not as healthy as it should be, largely because our members don't help to make it so, looks like we will have to institute a safety campaign this year. So far nobody has come across with any ideas regarding wage increases this year. The rapidity with which living costs can rise while haggling for a few cents per hour drags on, has depressed many of our members to the point where they say "What's the use?" We should remind them that trade unions have been carrying on this same struggle for over one hundred years, the struggle to get a little bigger share of what they produce.

F. J. BEVIS, P. S.

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Referendum Issues Approved in Ohio

L. U. 245, TOLEDO, OHIO—At a recent meeting of Local 245, Toledo,

Ohio, the three referendum issues were approved.

This writer has been requested to include here an invitation to any other utility locals to exchange contracts as a means of getting information that would be of interest to us. If anyone is interested in such an exchange of information with us, please write to —

Vincent Wise, assistant
business agent

Local 245, I.B.E.W.

912 Adams St.

Toledo, Ohio.

As this promises to be a great year for politics, it is with interest that we note that Toledo's (at least Toledo Democrats) pride and joy, Mike DiSalle, Price Control Administrator has filed for the Senate Seat held by John Bricker. It would give this writer much pleasure to see Mr. Bricker retired.

PAUL D. SCHIEVER, P. S.

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Danger of Powder Tools Pointed Out

L. U. 252, ANN ARBOR, MICH.—Here we are again—hope the weather will be more favorable by the time this is in print. We would like to send our greetings to our Brothers in the armed forces—W. Rose, journeyman inside wireman, K. Kearcher and V. Maury, apprentices.

We would like to state at this time in regard to powder—powered tools, that we have had quite a few members injured and it has been up to the individual as to whether they use this tool or not. On one job, the contractor informed us that their insurance did not cover powder tools at that time and to keep boys away from same. As for myself, I do not have the proper experience and instruction so refuse to use them. So it appears it is up to the individuals.

Brother Peter Estermeier has had a successful trip to Florida and spent a few days in the hospital tempering up. He has finally arrived at Fort Myers, Florida, his last card stated.

We have a new approved wage—\$2.90 per hour. Our finance committee at this time is making progress and all Brothers should try to attend meetings at least once a month and find out what is in the future.

PRESS SECRETARY

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Contract Improvements Won by Phoenix Local

L. U. 266, PHOENIX, ARIZ.—High wages and improved working conditions for the years of 1952 and 1953 have been gained by the members of

L.U. 320 Operates New Steam Station



This aerial view shows the Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation's new Danskammer Point Steam Station, operated by 42 members of L.U. 320, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. The \$12,000,000, 60,000 kilowatt unit is situated on the west bank of the Hudson River.



Control of all necessary equipment in the Danskammer Point Steam Station is in the hands of Control Operator Stan Millsbaugh (foreground) and his assistant, Bill Collier (left). Shift Supervisor Don Dupay stands in background and all three are members of L.U. 320, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Local 266. These bettered conditions are a result of numerous meetings between the officials of the Salt River Valley Water Users, Salt River Power District and the negotiating committee of the union.

Let us first cover the situation with regard to the Water Users. A flat five cents an hour cost-of-living increase was granted to all the hourly employees. An additional increase ranging up to 12½ cents per hour was granted to certain classifications, following a job evaluation program participated in by both the union and the company. There are still a few fringe benefits awaiting approval by the Wage Stabilization Board, among these, accumulated unlimited sick

leave. The two-year signed contract will include the fringe benefits, as soon as government approval is secured.

In the Salt River Power District we have a different picture, but the same results. The Power District takes the pseudo position that being an alleged Municipality, they cannot enter into collective bargaining with a labor organization. However, they do meet with the local in what they refer to as "employee representatives." The local feels that impending court action will change their feeling on this matter.

The negotiations were spearheaded by President Al Gardner and ably assisted and abetted by Brothers

Mowery, Kuykendall, Hollenrake, Earhardt and Ashton. The yeoman work of this group is to be highly commended. Their handling of the various problems associated with the many contractual and discussion meetings were lauded and approved by the rank and file of the union.

This scribe having formerly been a member of this committee and being well aware of the seriousness and gravity of its nature, expresses the feeling of the entire local in expressing deepest appreciation to this militant group.

JOHN G. O'MALLEY, P. S.

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New Home for L.U. 305 Planned

L. U. 305, FORT WAYNE, IND.—A new home for Local Union 305? Yes, the ball has started rolling at last as a committee of Brothers Fred West, Don Stier, Herman Flesher, and Business Manager Elmer McKay were appointed at our last regular meeting. The idea of a new home has been in the minds of the Brothers for quite some time and thanks to Brother Jim Davenport, it was finally brought on the floor. The committee will give their report at an early date as to building or buying a home.

Business Manager E. McKay gave a report of progress for his first six months in office, and the plans for the coming year.

It seems that some Brothers don't give their wives enough money when they send them to pay their dues. Then again it might be a system for getting a little extra play money. What is the low-down Brother Roberts?

Some of the Brothers might be interested in an unusual job for this locality that one of our local contractors has started. It is the wiring of cranes and barges for American Steel and Dredge. The cranes are mobile and have a lifting capacity of 12 tons with a total gross weight of 20 tons. The voltage is D.C. with a panel and amp. meter located in the cab of the crane. All wiring is done in galvanized pipe using condulets and F.S. fittings. The cranes have two cab lights and two clearance lights, and on the top and front of the cranes are two flood lights of a hundred candle power each. The barges are of the suction type and were used by the State of Ohio for dredging lakes. One of our Brothers made the trip to Akron, Ohio to do the job which took about two weeks and several T.V. nights. But like all good husbands he took his wife along—or was it compulsory Brother Clements?

By the time this monthly Journal is in print Brother Hartman will know if he is physically fit for the

Navy's recall. If the Navy doesn't accept you Arnie, your L.U. Brothers still think you are pretty fit.

The death of Brother Fred Nye, Jr. came after a short illness and was quite a shock to the local union. He was a young journeyman who most of us thought was in good health. His family has our deepest sympathy and especially his wife who just gave birth to a daughter. Brother Nye was survived by two other daughters.

W. L. WASSON, P. S.

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New Steam Station On Banks of Hudson

L. U. 320, POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—Enclosed please find pictures of the new Danskammer Point Steam Station. Even as Ernest R. Acker, president of the Central Hudson System, made the dedicatory remarks before an audience of executives of Central Hudson, New York City and area newspapermen, union representatives of Local 320, and personnel of the engineering firm of Burns and Roe, Inc., which designed and supervised construction, power from the \$12,000,000 steam station was flowing to communities on both sides of the Hudson River.

The new station, one of the most efficient plants of its type in the United States, is located six miles north of Newburgh on the west bank of the Hudson River. With the completion of the 60,000 kilowatt station, Central Hudson announced plans for a second, 60,000 kilowatt unit at Danskammer Point are well underway and foundation work will begin in the summer.

Danskammer Point is also the western terminus of the first high voltage submarine pipe cable in the country which was laid under the Hudson River in 1948.

The plant is of the most modern design and is characterized by many unusual engineering features. One kilowatt-hour of electricity is generated from less than eight-tenths of a pound of coal.

Television plays an important role in the operation of the station. Two screens are located in the control rooms and give the operator a picture of conditions in the furnace and a picture of the water level gauge.

The station is pressurized, that is, the air pressure in the building is greater than the outside so that foreign matter will not seep in.

EDWARD W. STELLER, R.S.

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Exercise Priceless Right of Franchise

L. U. 323, WEST PALM BEACH, FLA.—This is my fourth attempt to

start this article. I have been trying to confine my writing to labor and after writing several articles on labor it is not an easy matter to find enough material to make a column interesting for our rank and file without repeating. The average laboring man keeps in touch with labor's problems and situations around the country. There are many problems that labor has that men do not interest themselves in because they do not think it is important to them personally. I firmly believe that personality enters into a man's business life. Or shall I put it more plainly—selfishness and self-preservation comes first and last in some men's minds. I agree to a certain extent with some of these ideas. Still I would like to see some of our Brothers with a more liberal point of view in their lives and also the lives of their fellowmen.

In order that a Brother may maintain some of these ideals he has to take into consideration many problems that confront labor as of today. I believe one of the most important duties of labor and all the people is to use the right of franchise granted them by the good old Constitution of the United States. Don't say, Brothers, this is old stuff, waving the American flag. This, Brothers, is one of labor's most important problems and we all should take it as seriously as we can. Many of our Brothers will remark "What does that have to do with my self preservation?" Well, I know it has this much to do with it. When you go to the polls on an election day to cast your ballot, either for National, State, County or Municipal elections a record is made.

Some companies make a business of tabulating these records and selling them to anybody who has money to buy them and you can bet "Old Stalin" is their best customer. If they find a community that does not show any interest in their government they send in their agents and try to go to work on these people and many of them are in a frame of mind that could be converted very easily. That's only the beginning, so in this way you should vote and by doing that you not only help yourself, but your country and your fellowman. Just take the question on the home front. Just look at some of the labor laws that are being passed these days—not in favor of labor, but against it. What is the reason for this? Nothing more than weakness in the labor movement. If every union man would vote and try and get his friends to vote also, you would not see so many politicians trying to keep labor down. The men who pass these laws watch these records and when labor shows a weak spot they don't worry but go ahead and pass laws that make it hard for the working man to make a living. On the other hand, labor has many

good friends in office who can see the good points in the labor movement and do all within their power to help, and we appreciate that and thank them for their support, and will do all within our power to put them and keep them in office again.

Well, this might not be all labor, but it is a very important part of the labor movement. Let's all join LABOR'S LEAGUE FOR POLITICAL EDUCATION and show strength. If we show weakness we will fall, so Brothers, register and vote early and often.

WILLIAM DONOHUE, P. S.

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Ernest Glas Shows Real Brotherhood

L. U. 347, DES MOINES, IA.—A few weeks ago the members of Local Union 347 were trying to negotiate a wage increase with our contractors. After a period of futile efforts the local union voted to hold a series of meetings adjourning from day to day in an effort to impress the contractors with the importance of our position. About the middle of the second week of such meetings we were advised by our International Representative to submit our case to the Council of Industrial Relations.

Although the contractors agreed to such procedure they later refused to sign the prepared application. During the negotiations the contractors brought out certain claimed violations and conditions of petty significance. Our Board then decided that if the contractors were going to hold to technicalities then we too would be justified in holding to technicalities.

In our agreement are listed the tools that are to be furnished by the journeyman. Prior to the disagreeable sequences with the contractors, our members had furnished tools of about every description. We now decided to unload our tool boxes and to furnish only those tools listed in our agreement.

The result of this action has made the majority of our members conscious of the fact that we do have a union. There are some, however, who choose to disregard the instructions of their officers and the terms of our agreement. Some have openly violated not only the section pertaining to tools but other laws of our union as well. It is hard for this writer to understand the attitude of a Brother wherein he repudiates his word of honor to support the Constitution and the By-Laws of his local union.

Following my practice to laud a deserving Brother, while he can still smell the flowers—the roses this month go to Brother Ernest Glas. Here is a real Brother. The scene—A new manufacturing plant. Time—

Local 382, Columbia, S. C. Graduates 17 Apprentices



Certificates of completion were presented to the following members of the apprentice group of Local 382, Columbia, S. C. in a recent graduation ceremony: Left to right, first row: C. S. Thurber, Representative, N. E. C. A., Birmingham, Alabama; W. F. Patterson, Director, Bureau of Apprenticeship, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. J. C. Boles, who received Certificate for husband, who is now in Armed Services; W. H. Baker; Harry A. Dunham; Oren Fugate; M. E. Gleaton; H. L. Hallman, and A. F. Wright, International Representative, Chattanooga, Tennessee. Left to right, second row: R. O. Hill; P. E. Hogan; D. W. Jones; J. W. Johnson; J. M. McCabe; D. E. Outlaw; E. D. Perry; Thomas Plate; W. L. Ratliff; Paul Register, and B. B. Tindal.

10:30 p. m. Month—January. Temperature—zero. About a dozen electricians working to meet a deadline had worked all day and were faced with the proposition of working all night. Now can you imagine a Brother thoughtful enough of his fellow men to get together an armful of sandwiches — rolls-cakes-pickles etc. and a half gallon of hot coffee and then drive about six or seven miles across town through streets packed with ice and snow with the only thought of reward being to enjoy watching a bunch of tired and hungry men devour the food. The reward for acts of this kind are not within the power of mere men.

Brother Glas is one of the older members of Local Union 347. He has been employed by the Johnson Electric Company, Inc. of this city for a number of years. He is in charge of the electric installations in the new State Office Building now nearing completion.

Brother Glas is an out of doors enthusiast. He loves fishing and hunting but his first love is "Cat-fishing." "He is good at it too." If you have never gone fishing or hunting with Ernie you have never really had a square meal. This Glas fellow can spread a better meal on a blanket of leaves than the best chef you ever knew can put on a banquet table.

The motto of the State of Iowa is, "Of all that is good, Iowa affords the best." On behalf of the men on the Solar Job, we wish the same for you Ernie.

Speaking of hunting. Two men on

the street. The first said, "How are you getting along with that hunting dog I loaned you a couple of weeks ago?" The second fellow replied, "Oh fine. I had a bit of trouble with him at first though. The first few days I took him out he had a bad habit when running through the fields of stopping and standing like a statue with his nose and tail straight out. A few good kicks in the rear end soon broke him out of that habit however."

I don't know just what treatment could be dished out to break some Brothers of the habit of staying away from union meetings!

See you Friday night.

FRED H. POWERS, P.S.

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Labor Official Addresses Banquet

L. U. 382, COLUMBIA, S. C.—Enclosed you will find a photograph for the JOURNAL of electrical apprentices, members, of Local Union 382, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of Columbia, South Carolina, who were given certificates of completion by the Columbia Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Committee at a banquet held on December 12, 1951, at the Jefferson Hotel in Columbia, South Carolina.

W. F. Patterson, director, Bureau of Apprenticeship, U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., was the principal speaker at the above men-

tioned banquet, and he also awarded the certificates. Other speakers included C. S. Thurber, district representative, National Electric Contractors Association, and A. F. Wright, International Representative, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

SINWAY YOUNG, B. M.

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Champion Softball Team of Local 387

L. U. 387, PHOENIX, ARIZ.—The I.B.E.W. Local 387 softball team of the Phoenix Industrial League showed true championship caliber this past summer by piling up a 23-4 won, lost record to tie the Reynolds Metals team for the league honors.

Immediately following the end of the regular season, the teams in the league held a double elimination tournament, which the 387 boys won hands down. They won each of their games in the tournament with their star righthander, Johnny Martinez, pitching all the games.

Then, in a three-game playoff with the Reynolds team to decide the City championship, the electrical workers won one and dropped two, thus losing their championship title in the Phoenix Industrial league.

Martinez pitched all the games for the team, including season games, tournament games and playoff games. He was known throughout the league for his miserliness in allowing hits

to opposing teams and ended the season with three no-hit games and five one hitters. The most hits garnered off him in any one game came in the final game of the playoff when he allowed a total of five safe blows.

We wish to call the attention of JOURNAL readers to another item of interest concerning L. U. 387.

Robert L. Hintz, Phoenix, a member of I.B.E.W. Local 387, was chosen as the outstanding apprentice in Arizona, in the competition last fall.

Hintz was picked from a list of Arizona apprentices in their last year of training. He was selected because of his high rating on scholastic standing, aptitude, personality, outside activities, and citizenship.

Hintz is employed as a mechanic by the Central Arizona Light and Power Company in Phoenix where he has been under the apprenticeship training plan since 1947.

H. R. PETTET, B.M.

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Port Arthur Scale Goes to \$2.61¼

L. U. 390, PORT ARTHUR, TEX.—After much negotiating and quite a long waiting period, L.U. 390 has received its raise of 11¼ cents, which raises the scale to \$2.61¼. Also, we gained double time for all work after 10:00 p.m. and for Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. The pay raise became effective December 13, 1951, and overtime rate changes became effective January 24, 1952.

We have just completed our initial contract with the Atlantic Refining Company, and received a raise in pay to boost the maint. journeyman to \$2.34 per hour. Also, a definite procedure for the advancement of trainees was achieved, whereby an "A" trainee, the initial stage, can qualify for a "B" trainee in one year; and a "B" trainee can qualify for a journeyman in three years. L.U. 390 won the election at the Texas Company, Port Arthur Case and Package Division, on December 18, 1951 and was certified as the bargaining agent December 28, 1951. Negotiations are under way now for the initial contract.

The I.B.E.W. is the bargaining agent for all maintenance jobs in this jurisdiction. L.U. 390 is proud of this record and it is due to the tireless effort of its members and the large expenditure of 390's funds for the organization and maintenance of these contracts.

Some of the Brothers who are on the city payroll have asked me to ask the membership to contact your political friends to aid their cause. It seems that by law, municipal employees are ineligible to participate in the Social Security program, if they have their own pension plan. This is

Local 387 Member, Outstanding Apprentice



Robert L. Hintz, member of Local 387, Phoenix, Ariz., was chosen the outstanding apprentice in Arizona in a competition held last fall, based on scholastic standing, aptitude, personality, outside activities and citizenship.

plainly unfair to our members who are working for the city. Why shouldn't they have the same opportunity to participate in the Social Security program that persons working elsewhere do? All of the other employees working other places, who have their own programs for retirement do also participate in Social Security. Let's give these Brothers a hand by contacting our Representatives and asking them to support a program where these employees will be covered by Social Security.

Our Business Agent, Brother E. C. Gones, is doing real well after his long illness of several months. Brother Gones is spending most of his time on the job now and is able to get along without the use of crutches or cane. Good to have you up and back on the job "Ernie." Brother "Dub" Miller, our President, is still working with the "B.A." in the office and is really becoming an expert on these contract negotiations.

After a long illness Brother L. E. "Hoss" Davis passed away on Saturday, December 29, 1951. Though "Hoss" is gone, memories of him will live long in the hearts of the many friends he left here.

F. R. CANADA, P. S.

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San Diego Received Its Share of Rain

L. U. 465, SAN DIEGO, CALIF.—San Diego was hit by a flood but not in the proportions that Los Angeles



Michael Lee Hintz, 18-month old mascot of Local 387's softball team of the Phoenix Industrial League and son of Bobby Hintz, star shortstop of the team, is shown with the trophy, left, won for a tie with Reynold's Metals for the season's honors and, right, for winning the league's elimination tournament.

received. If San Diego had received the 7.87 storm total rather than the 2.5 inches, the results might have been just as disastrous. But, of course, San Diego has three times better weather than our northern friends!

The photo enclosed was taken by Mike Hazelip, chief photographer of the *San Diego Evening Tribune*, which was gracious enough to loan us the picture. Several events caught

Fighting the Rains in San Diego



It's a dramatic moment in San Diego before the jetty is complete and the current becomes swifter. Line crews, members of Local Union 465, are using sandbags and wires to protect the butt of the pole. In the meantime the H frame is nearing completion 800 feet away on the bank to replace the two 12 kv poles that were washed away.

the shutter bugs with their lens down. At four in the morning on the second day of the storm, a cave-in broke a gas main in Mission Valley. The gas main broke about 10 feet away from a pole carrying 12 kv, 2.4 kv and secondary static from the line must have caught the escaping gas on fire. The flames shot 200 feet in the air lighting the sky as if it were broad daylight. Mike was called out of a warm bed but the rain was so heavy he couldn't go over 50 mph. and got there too late.

That afternoon, the water had reached flood proportion, then the rain stopped. Had it not been for El Capitan Dam located at the headwaters, Mission Valley would have been inundated as it was in 1926.

The picture shows the Gasco crews gallantly battling to save an important transmission line from being undermined by the swift currents. The location is at Moreno bridge where the river empties into the flood control area being constructed. The 12 kv poles which carried three lines to Old Town, Point Loma and Ocean Beach as well as defense plants and military reservation were washed away. There was little outage and no curtailment of power.

That Saturday the utility and construction crews took time to pay

homage to the passing of one of our beloved Brothers, Glen "Red" Combs who had passed away the previous Thursday, January 17.

International Representative Les Morrell gave a splendid speech to the wives of the local on the problems of negotiations at a rally-dance Friday, January 25. He pointed out it was important for the wives to know the problems faced by the breadwinner as their household and future depended on their husbands' jobs. Only through unions have the standards of living and improved working conditions advanced over the past 20 years. In times of unrest such as now, more than ever we should renew our faith in our union, for our job protection. The local is indebted to the I. O. for the high caliber of men they pick for our representatives, who will take time out from their many duties to make such instructive talks.

GEORGE W. CLARK, R. S.

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35-Year Member Honored by L.U. 477

L. U. 477, SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.—While attending the meeting of October 1951 those members present were privileged to witness President Paul H. Jones pin a 35-year pin on Brother Joe Riker. Joe was initiated into the I.B.E.W. in 1916 at Local Union 164, Jersey City, New Jersey. Two years later he moved to

35-Year Local 477 Member Honored



Members of Local 477, San Bernardino, Calif., witnessed the presentation by President Paul H. Jones of a 35-year membership pin to Brother Joe Riker. Shown, front row, left to right: President Jones; retiring Treasurer Riker; Executive Board Member A. B. Moran. Back row, left to right: Business Manager and Recording Secretary John M. Carney; Financial Secretary Jack Owens; newly-appointed Treasurer Charley H. Gier.

San Bernardino, where he was to prove himself an outstanding union member and wireman. He held the office of financial secretary for a number of years until elected treasurer. The office he held until his retirement. In behalf of the officers, Brother Jack Carney presented Joe with a Parker pen and pencil set for Brother Riker's unselfish services for Local 477.

Brother Riker retired on his 35th anniversary of electrical work and I'm sure the members of Local 477 wish to thank him for the time and effort he has contributed toward making Local 477 what it is today. Thank you Joe, for a job well done and good fishing.

At this same meeting the final plans for the float entered by Local 477 in the San Bernadino Centennial were discussed. After Chairman Wayne Canaday gave us a brief resume of what the float would be the response for volunteers to participate and work on it was tremendous.

We offer our sincere thanks to Lavelle Weeks who designed the float and for the ideas which proved most successful toward our representation in the Parade.

We also have had the inevitable misfortune of losing members to that Big Job in the Great Beyond. Tom Thornsley, Hugh Marble, Larry Ring and Charles DeWees. Brother DeWees gave his life in the service of his country in Korea.

The next article will include a brief summary of the work in this area. Until then, So long.

L. K. RUIZ, P. S.

Minstrel Show at Yonkers



A closeup of a few of the participants. Standing, from left: John McGuigan, William Patterson, Joe Puzir and James Hickey. Kneeling in front are Paul Pavia and Richard Hastings.

Minstrel Show Is Enjoyed at Yonkers

L. U. 501, YONKERS, N. Y.—Recently, on December 1, 1951, this Local Union presented to the public its annual Minstrel Show. For the second time in as many years, this presentation received enthusiastic sup-

port and wide acclaim from its members, friends, and associates.

You will find photographs of most of the Brothers who worked hand in hand to make this show even better than the previous one.

Special mention should be given to our Director, Brother Chester Blair, who, although ailing in health, put forth his entire energies and skill to

As Yonkers Staged Its Annual Minstrel Show



Participants in the annual show sponsored by Local Union 501, Yonkers, New York.

Santa Claus Visits Yonkers



Lined up with Santa Claus at the party of Local 501 are shown Gail King, Business Manager William Patterson, Gus Gilfort (Santa Claus), Louis Tita and Elaine Neumann, all of Yonkers, N. Y.

mold a show that was both entertaining and amusing.

The names of the Brothers who participated are: Joseph Puzio, John Yanarella, Richard Hastings, Harold Hammond, Paul Pavia, James McGuigan, Robert Jacobson, Jerome Weintraub, Arthur Maiden, Jerome Gazzini, James McGraw, Nathan Desmore, James Fox, William Leibrock, Rudy Sliva, Thomas Jamin, Joseph Babiar, Gregory Wind, Philip DeMilio, Stanley Horyt, Frank Murphy, Charles Talar, Jack Pavia, Charles Higbee, Donald O'Connell, James Wright, William Odestick, Mike Marinaro, Charles Cartwright, Joseph Marcella, Alvin Mullen, Joseph Yanarella, Donald Shepley, Joseph Terenzio, Nicholas Pavia and Donald Gasteiger.

The following Brothers acted as ushers: Victor Caputo, Philip Masi, Donald McDonald, Graeme Dalzell, Robert Fox, Earl Johnson, Henry Zuck and Harold Knoepfel.

The committee members were as follows: Henry Sturmer, chairman; Fred Wright, co-chairman; Walter Macior, treasurer; Jerome Weintraub, assistant treasurer; Roy Skerratt, secretary; and, your truly, Robert Jacobson, ticket chairman.

Before curtain time our Business Manager William Patterson, welcomed the 900 guests. He also thanked them for their patronage which helped to make the Minstrel Show such a huge success.

Business Manager Patterson then explained to them the purpose for the Minstrel Show; first, to raise money for the Local Union's Annual Christmas Party and secondly, to bring entertainment to its members, their families, and its many friends. Their support made it possible for the local union to again invite to its Annual Christmas Party, a great number of

the underprivileged children from the Jewish, Catholic, and Protestant Orphan Homes in its area.

The Christmas Party was held at the Eastview Avenue Junior High School auditorium in White Plains, New York on December 22, 1951. Santa Claus (Brother Gus Gilfort) was there with toys for all. An orchestra, moving pictures, candy and ice cream made the afternoon complete for all the kiddies.

The Christmas Party Committee should be congratulated for the wonderful job they did of spreading joy and happiness to all the children who were at the party.

ROBERT JACOBSON, P. S.

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WSB Okays Wage Boost of L.U. 505

L. U. 505, MOBILE, ALA.—Well, well, well, the Wage Stabilization Board has finally gotten around to putting their official approval to our wage increase, so my old 505 has gone into the 2.60 per hour class. So now all you guys who are away from home, just sit tight in the boat and when Brother Sam Shannon calls you back you will have something to look forward to.

The Fraternal Association decided that it was about time to dress up the building both inside and out. And under the leadership of Brother Shannon who was president of the Fraternal Association at that time, this was done in a very big way. The local's offices were moved downstairs, and other labor organizations moved in to take up the office spaces that had been provided in the dressing up campaign. All that is lacking at the present time is the air-conditioning, which will be taken care of in the

very near future. To accomplish this, an assessment of twelve dollars was voted by the membership to be levied against each member of the association. And you out of towners, who might want to come in for a look-see, you are cordially invited. The association meetings are every three months, with the Board of Trustees meeting once a month. So come on boys we really have something to show you.

At the last meeting of 505 they voted two changes in the by-laws. One was to raise the death assessment from two dollars to five dollars, and the working assessment to a straight two percent. And with the approval of the International Office these changes will be made in our by-laws.

Jobs around here are beginning to show their heads out of the ground and I don't think that it will be very long before our B.M. will be calling our boys back home. But please remember to await that call and do not come in prospecting. If you want to come in anyway all well and good, but you cannot expect anything unless the B.M. has called you. **REMEMBER THAT.**

Well, I believe that our editor asked us to try and keep our stuff down to three hundred words, so in respect to his request I will close with this little reminder: "He Who Takes Often Hates To Give."

PERCY E. JOHNSON, P. S.

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Debut of New Press Secretary

L. U. 508, SAVANNAH, GA.—I am the newly appointed press secretary of Local Union 508. My name is D. L. Canady, Card No. 923126. This is a new type of work for me but I pledge to do my best at the job.

In our first meeting of 1952, Local Union 508 was honored to have as its guest, Vice President G. X. Barker, who gave us an interesting talk on political education, closed shops, and team work between the I. B. E. W. and all local unions.

There is so much about law and other anti-labor acts that we should know, so Brothers, Local Union 508 has adopted for its motto "Stop working for the Union when the Union stops working for you."

In the jurisdiction of Local Union 508 we are very fortunate in having several government installations, Camp Stewart, Georgia (the largest anti-aircraft and artillery training center in the United States), Hunter Air Force Base, Savannah, Georgia, U. S. Marine Base, Parris Island, South Carolina. In industry we have the world's largest paper mill. (The Union Bag and Paper Corporation) and the Georgia State Port.

We are now enjoying our recently acquired wage increase of \$2.50 per hour. The new wage rate for Marine Wireman is \$2.35 per hour.

Our dear deceased Brother Corporal Lloyd E. Akins' body has been returned from Korea. His funeral was attended by a large group of members of Local Union 508.

D. L. CANADY, P.S.

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Full Season Seen For Galveston Local

L. U. 527, GALVESTON, TEX.—The new year is well under way, and if lack of material doesn't hold up building too much, we should have a good year here in the Galveston jurisdiction, with construction starting at most of the chemical plants and refineries. We hope to keep all of our local boys busy, as well as some of our neighboring Brothers.

I wish at this time to express sincere appreciation for the brotherly consideration extended our Local 527 boys by various locals throughout the U.S.A., during our period of slack work. Most especially, I wish to thank Local 716, Houston, and 644, Baytown. They have shown us they believe in Brotherhood to the nth degree by giving visiting Brothers the same opportunities as their local boys. This makes us realize that the many years spent in building this great International Brotherhood has not been in vain.

There is a great deal of work to do in '52 for labor, but top billing goes to "Going to the Polls" and "Voting for those candidates that are fair to our cause." Our older Brothers worked, sweated, and fought for the existence of the I.B.E.W. so it seems like so little to ask of you and me, when they say, "Vote, Brother, vote for the labor rights we so firmly believe in." You will be exercising your patriotic duty as well as the duty of all union men.

CHARLES R. JOHNSON, P. S.

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45 Visiting Locals Represented on Job

L. U. 558, SHEFFIELD, ALA.—The month of March spells "spring," and it means more activity in construction work for most of us. We have several nice jobs in our area that will last for a few months. These jobs are: The Muscle Shoals Phosphorus Development Works and the Monsanto Caustic Chlorine Plant employing approximately 500 electricians. Some are men from sister locals, namely: 11, 100, 108, 129, 130, 136, 226, 317, 369, 384, 397, 429, 433, 436, 446, 453, 460, 466, 474, 479, 480,

L.U. 561 Adds to Montreal Yule



The lighting for this Mother Goose fairyland display in the C.N.R. Central Station in Montreal was all installed by members of L.U. 561, practically overnight, under the supervision of Brother L. Turbis.



These members of L.U. 561 pause in their Christmas celebration at the Loco Electric Shop of the C.P.R. Angus Shops in Montreal for this group photo for THE JOURNAL sent in by Brother Doherty.

495, 505, 525, 576, 611, 613 649, 676, 697, 733, 755, 760, 779, 835, 846, 852, 917, 934, 995, 1077, 1317, 1516, 1531, 1575. We are proud that these men saw fit to stop at our local and work with us. The Chemstrand job is off to a slow start, but will probably end with a bang. The Tennessee Valley Authority Colbert Steam Plant should be well under way by summer. These jobs, along with the local housing projects and regular routine work, are keeping everything humming in this area. Business Agent Robert H. Broadfoot, and his assistant Jimmie White, have been very busy on wage negotiations and such matters.

Because of the increased attendance at the regular meetings, we have had to enlarge our meeting hall. We also have purchased seven lots adjacent to our local union property. This land

will be converted into parking space for our members, when they are at the hall. This local union has a membership of 1,026 to date.

F. A. CONTRELL, P.S.

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Political Indifference Knocked in Montreal

L. U. 561, MONTREAL, QUE., CANADA.—Here we are once more after being absent for quite a few months, there does not seem to be too much to report about from these parts. Our meetings are attended by the same few, meeting after meeting; it is a wonder to me how some pay their dues and take a delight to criticize, from outside of the meeting hall, nearly everything that is done for

them, and yet do not take the time to come to the meetings and really see just what is done. Labor men sure can be a hard-headed bunch to try and do something for.

Here we are in a new year, 1952, and one can wonder what is in store for us, what with the conditions the world over in turmoil, statesmen making all kinds of charges and counter-charges at one another, of this and that violation, the daily prices going skyward, taxes everywhere and no relief in view. Our governments seem to be afraid to take control of prices, in this country at least, I guess they are afraid to offend the wrong people . . . but I suppose after all is said and done the politicians know that the laboring class does not care too much who or how they are run. Oh yes they do a lot of talking, but is there any action? The laboring class just does not take the right interest in their politics. On reading Brother Bevis's article from Local 230, Victoria, B. C., I see that the conditions are the same the country over. It is too true that the average labor men do not want politics mixed in with their union, but take it, line, hook and sinker from the politicians as well as the Canadian Manufacturers Association. Will the labor-man ever wake-up?

Enclosed is a picture from the boys of the Loco Electric Shop, at the C. P. R. Angus Shops, putting on their Christmas Tree Do, which was very well received by all. Congratulations, Brothers, and keep up the good work. There's also a picture of the C. N. R. Central Station of Montreal. Again the Central Station became the center of attraction at Christmas time, when it was transformed into a colorful fairyland peopled by Mother Goose Characters. This most wonderful and attractive display was the result of months of research and hard work on behalf of the person responsible for this foremost yuletide show place, Mr. A. L. Sauviat, administrative assistant to the director of public relations C. N. R., and helping him in this undertaking were Mr. J. D. Neafsey. This display in Hollywood terms would be super-colossal-extravaganza. All this was installed in the Central Station almost over night. Every bit of the electric wiring and connections were installed and done by "A" member Brothers of this local employed on the station property, under leading-hand Brother L. Turbis.

Six scenes, mounted over the concourse stairwells dramatized the most popular of the Mother Goose tales. At the west end of the concourse was a gigantic scene depicting the "Land of Make Believe." A continuously varying play of lights produced a full range of day and night effects within a five minute cycle. This scene measuring 50 feet by 25 feet in

depth and 28-feet in height also had a "Train of Fantasy" that ghosted its way across the panorama on Electrified Tracks. The Christmas spirit was enhanced by the illuminated Christmas trees and huge candy canes along the south and north walls of the concourse. The station's exterior was again decorated by tall Christmas trees, 30 in all, illuminated with multi-colored lights over the north and south entrance which gave a most wonderful sight on approaching or leaving the station. Every one agreed that this was a "major production." Over 4,500 lights were required for this display. These displays are fast becoming the focused point that the major part of the people in this part of the country are waiting for every year. It means a lot of work for all concerned but it gives one pleasure as well as pride to have taken part in such a wonderful display and also knowing that one is helping to rebuild that almost lost spirit, good words so seldom spoken, "Peace on Earth to Men of Good Will."

Also since my last writing, there have been a few of our active Brothers gone up the so-called "ladder." Brother Stan Jones of Winnipeg, who was general-chairman of Regional Council No. 2 C. P. R. Lines, has now become superintendent of diesels at Calgary. Brother Dick Warraker, who has been financial-secretary of Regional Council No. 2 since it was re-organized some 10 years ago, was appointed assistant-electrical foreman in the Point St. Charles Shops C. N. R. These two members have worked hard for the members of this organization. Stan and Dick, please accept our thanks for all your past work on our behalf as well as our congratulations and good wishes for you both in your success in your new positions.

Brother Frank Graham, C. P. R., has tendered his resignation from this Local's Executive Board, for personal reasons.

E. J. O' DOHERTY, P. S.

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Full Attendance Votes On Local's By Laws

L. U. 568 MONTREAL, QUE., CANADA—Our last regular meeting saw the largest attendance recorded in many months. Let us hope that it is not just another of those New Year resolutions . . . Or maybe some of our Brothers just got fed up with my reminders every month and decided to see for themselves. Anyway you are all welcome, Brothers, and remember that it is always the majority that rules in a union; you and the rest of our Brothers decide how and why a certain thing will occur depending on the vote for or against.

We had the second and final reading of our local bylaws for the coming year at our last meeting, no doubt many of our Brothers were not satisfied with the result of the final outcome. However many of us had the satisfaction of putting in a few kicks and debates. I myself was very much against some of our bylaws which were nevertheless carried almost 100 percent. But as I said the majority always rules and I won't make that a reason for staying away from future meetings. I could write on this subject all night if I were allowed to, but since our Editor, Bro. J. Scott Milne, asked us to confine ourselves to 500 words or less; we feel a little cooperation sometimes may help a great deal.

A reminder to all our Brothers who are still unaware of the fact: Don't forget to deduct your union dues when making your income tax return for '51. It's legal now. For further information on the subject, please get in touch with your financial secretary.

Our Eastern Progress Meeting will take place this year in the Mount Royal Hotel in Montreal on April 4th and 5th. Our International Vice-President Brother Raymond informs us that Brother J. Scott Milne, International Secretary, will be in attendance, let's hope he will be here and that he will have time to look around and maybe realize that Montreal would be a pretty good spot to hold an I.B.E.W. Convention as well . . . Our hotels in this town can compete with the best on this continent, including Texas . . .

We regret to announce the passing away of the father of Brother Maurice Cloutier this past month. Our sincere condolences are extended to his family and all his friends. With the Good Lord's permission, I'll see you all again next month.

LOUIS G. THERIAULT, P. S.

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Local Purchases New Site for Home

L. U. 583, EL PASO, TEXAS—Well fellows, Local Union 583 has gone and done it! Yes, we now own our own piece of property and soon hope to have our own building on it. The house that is now on the property is entirely inadequate for our local, so under our efficient planning and building committee, plans for a larger, attractive building have been developed and approved and are now in the hands of the R. E. McKee Company. These plans show a very attractive, modern building with rental space for two or three offices, which will not only help make our investment self-liquidating but in time will be a very profitable investment. Because of the good judgment shown by the

building committee in their choice of location, we have already been contacted for every inch of space that can be spared for rent or lease. We're certainly proud of these boys for it surely shows what a good committee with the local's interest at heart can do.

Now about local wages and work—the Construction Industry Stabilization Committee, just a few days ago, granted us an increase of 12½ cents. This now gives us a scale of \$2.62¼. As to work now and in the near future, prospects look very good for us. The Army bases have let many new contracts since the first of the year and have informed our able Business Agent Joe Roberts, that there would be more and even bigger contracts let before June. The El Paso Electric, we are told, expect to start adding another unit to their Power House sometime around June. This is many months ahead of what I was told when I left there three months ago. The previous units have averaged about nine months of work for us, by the way. Joe has also been told that the Texaco Oil Company is going to put out bids in the very near future for a hi-test cracking unit similar to the Standard Oil Hi-test unit which is under way now and is being done by the Catalytic Company. Much to our disappointment, this Standard Oil job has hardly begun for us. Lack of materials seems to be the handicap. This obstacle, we are told, will soon be ironed out as the company wants to have the job going at full throttle as soon as it can. Which reminds me—Joe told me to be sure to tell everyone who reads this article that we're full up and that as things are at this time, because of material uncertainties, he cannot at the present time make any promises.

Well, it looks as though L. U. 583 is going to really do something different in the future. Yes, the ladies have come into the picture. On January 11, the wives met with Joe, and our capable president D. T. Young (who has been quite instrumental in getting the women together) and at a round table meeting decided on a Ladies Auxiliary with the group's primary purposes, after they once get organized, to be for enlightenment on politics, helping to bring about better harmony in the local by seeing that hubby gets to the meetings more often, etc., and to watch for and become union label conscious when doing any buying. Believe me if these girls make a go of any one of the above goals, they certainly will have done more than their share. Their aims are certainly well worthwhile, and if they continue with the enthusiasm of Friday night's meeting, 583 Ladies will certainly have a worthwhile organization.

REGINALD C. GROTHE, P.S.

Contributions Don't Discharge Obligations

L. U. 595, OAKLAND, CALIF.—The election year activity is in full swing and the importance of our participation in political activity is again being stressed. We are again being told that we must get certain things done and must also contribute sums of money to political activities, this being understandable to most of us and is something most of us expect as being one of the obligations assumed when we associate with a strong organization and expect it to look after our political and financial welfare.

But certainly the doling out of small contributions on our part does not discharge our entire obligation, for we know that what we receive from any source is always in direct proportion to what we put into such an effort. The very fact that we are reluctant to give anything and make no effort whatever to ascertain what the money is being used for, or if enough or if any assistance might be given, would indicate that we are not concerned with the outcome.

We should have a legislative committee composed of good live active members and headed by a chairman who can give sufficient time to said committee and its activities to keep abreast of all up-to-date developments, keeping his committee members notified of meetings and arranging to make periodic reports back to the local union. Keeping alive this interest in political activity throughout the year, instead of allowing it to die and then trying to revive it once a year when a contribution is needed is most necessary. Having any board or committees appointed or elected whose members are not notified of meetings or whose members do not attend meetings or a board or committee that does not hold meetings often enough to transact its proper business, is in the opinion of your scribe, a serious obstruction to progress.

Remember Brothers, you must vote! It is the power of the vote that pressure groups are afraid of and not the man the vote elects.

At a recent meeting there was a letter from the contractors read, which contained among other things a voluntary offer of a small raise in wages coupled with and tied to a demand for protection of work. A very bitter and slightly rotten almond not too cleverly coated with an over-emphasized covering of ersatz sugar. A coating that would prove sweet to no one but the giver.

It is a popular opinion that the writing of such a letter to be read on the floor of the meeting is in polite language a bad breach of etiquette and it indicates a very unflat-

tering opinion of the mentality of the members of our local union.

To a man who is a member of a local union and at the same time a union man this letter is an affront amounting almost to insult. There may be certain individuals working at a trade and carrying a card out of a local union who would see nothing wrong in this situation but I am convinced there are no union men who do not resent it. The motion for action on this letter was carried by unanimous vote. Actions speak louder than words.

The Negotiating Committee of Local 595 has served faithfully for a good number of years and over this period of time they have had the full confidence of the entire membership. The members of our local have repeatedly expressed their appreciation for the excellent performance of this committee and at this time wish to express their complete confidence in the committee to take care of the future negotiations along the line indicated in the last report.

Closing this report on the eve of a beautiful day with the incomparable California sunshine in full array, is indeed a beautiful sight.

Blessings upon you Brothers,
WM. O. (BILL) HURTADO, P.S.

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Unusual Sub-Station Job by Local 602

L. U. 602, AMARILLO, TEX.—Here is a little story that I think is interesting, along with explanatory pictures, which might be good material for the Electrical Workers' Journal.

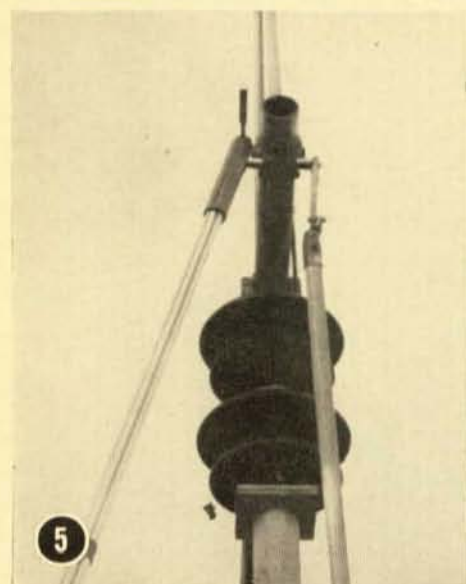
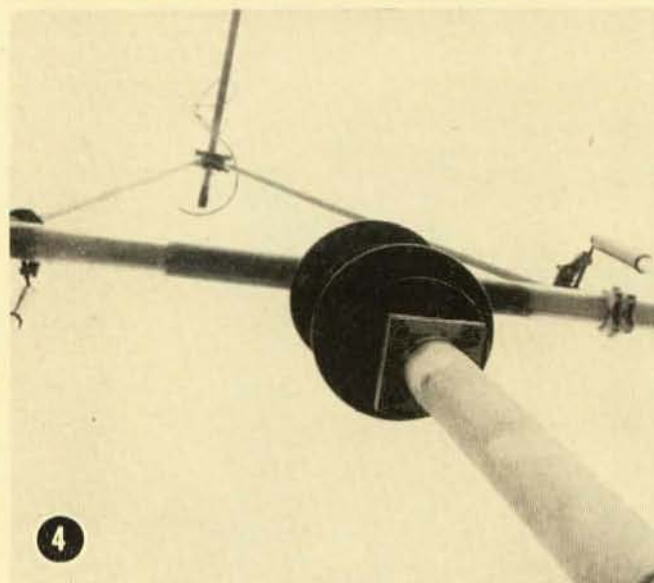
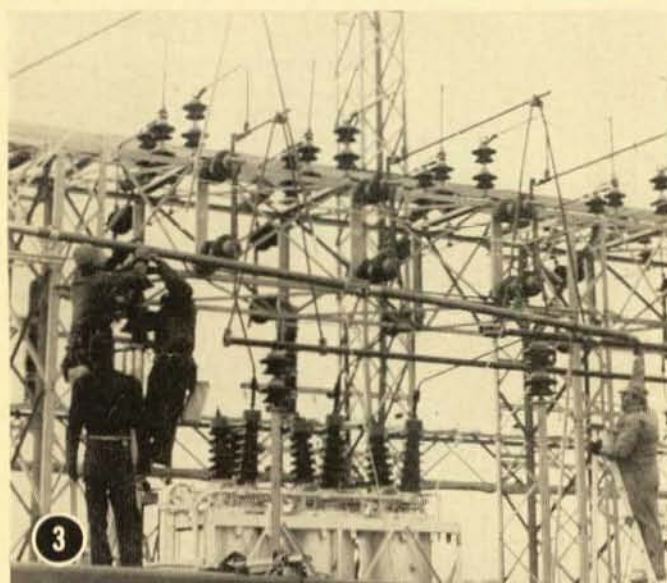
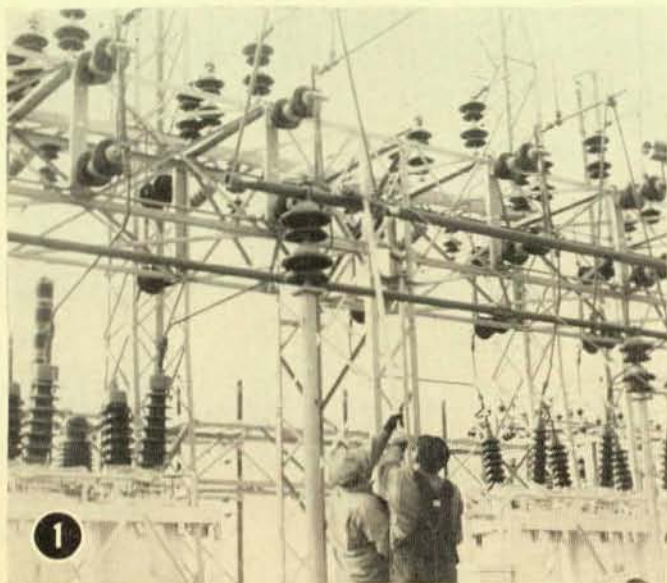
Members of Local 602, pictured in the enclosed group photograph, have just recently completed an outstanding and rather unusual piece of sub-station work. These men have been highly commended by officials of the Southwestern Public Service Company, which operates in a tri-state area of a part of Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico.

This project is located at Clovis, New Mexico, at what is known as Curry County Interchange and is fed by 115/000 volts and the busses our members worked on are 69/000 volt transfer busses. This horizontal tubing is 3" IPS and it was necessary to install a 30' extension to the three existing phases. Then the vertical risers had to be hung in position and made secure by the top and bottom fittings. Each piece of this 3" tubing with its coupler and connections which had to be on the tubing weighed 325 pounds. Bear in mind, this 69/000 had to be worked hot.

How this work was done can best be told by the enclosed pictures.

Picture No. 1 shows the end of the existing bussing and shows one end

Unusual Substation Built by Members of Local 602



These photos are identified in letter from Local 602, Amarillo, Texas.

on coupler on the outside buss which we put on after sliding over the wishbone risers hot as shown on the second buss.

Picture No. 2 shows the buss extensions, two of which have already been put in place with our gin stick fastened so as to walk or slide this bussing into coupling position.

Picture No. 3 shows about the same with exception that the vertical riser was held up by hot line rope on permanent level position with all top fittings permanent and our boys preparing to put the riser tubing into their fittings on the horizontal buss before connecting this new buss to the energized bussing.

Picture No. 4 shows how this riser was walked or slid along by hot sticks as the big buss went into hot position.

Picture No. 5 shows the hot stick wrench work tightening connections.

The group picture shows the fellows who did the work and from left to right standing, R. F. Jones, L. L. Davis, engineer in charge, L. F. McCormack, J. B. Carlile and R. L. Coulson. Kneeling, left to right, C. A. Loveless, Substation Engineer, W. F. Kissinger, A. H. Rudd, Jr., Steward, C. K. Black, Foreman, C. H. McNutt and O. M. Barnett.

Mr. Barney Chunn, construction superintendent, took these pictures.

FRED J. CARR, B. M.

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Heavy Abuses of Taft-Hartley Act

L. U. 613, ATLANTA, GA.—A few very short years ago, in fact it was 1947, the 81st Congress of the United States enacted the Taft-Hartley Act upon the workers of these United States.

Outstanding labor leaders throughout the Nation condemned this Act. President Green, of the A.F.L. said it was, "A Slave Labor Bill." John L. Lewis said it was "monstrous," and Mr. Murray, of the C.I.O. branded it as, "A bill to destroy Labor." The entire labor movement became upset and aroused. Our own President Tracy, speaking at the Fifth District Progress Meeting in Jacksonville, Florida, stated; "I know that it is extremely difficult for you to adjust yourself to the trend of legislation which is directed against organized labor. It has been very difficult for me to adjust myself to conditions but I urge you to be careful, weigh your problems well before you commit your local union to any act."

On the other side of the picture, a Mr. Stephen Pace, member of this same Congress from the Third District of Georgia wrote a manuscript in the local paper. The object of his

analysis of the Act for one thing, as he stated, was because, "There has been so much misrepresentation as to what the bill does that I have found few people who had a clear understanding of the law, its purpose, and its effect." He further stated that, "I have never known as much confusion and misunderstanding regarding any law passed by Congress." Mr. Pace went on to say that, "Some employer groups and corporate interests seem to have the hope and idea that this law will weaken or even wreck labor organizations and the labor movement." It does no such thing!!! He then, among other things, pointed out 20 reasons how the Taft-Hartley Law would protect the worker.

It's true, there was much confusion during the early days of the Taft-Hartley Act. Even the men who were responsible for the Act, could not give satisfactorily interpretations. This writer was completely confused. We adopted the advice of President Tracy, "to be careful, and weigh your problems well before you commit your local union to any act." We further told ourselves that, "Time alone would tell the story."

Time has told its story, and what a story. One secondary boycott and three N.L.R.B. cases have cost our membership \$2,038.60 in Attorney fees, and \$2,000.00 in other costs, making a grand total of \$4,038.60. Where did this money come from? Out of the pockets of the dues-paying members of this local union. These are the same workers who Mr. Pace insisted would be protected under the law. You might think we have been a bad bunch of boys to get in so much trouble with Taft-Hartley. Let's see if we have. One employer of our members, a manufacturing plant, used the lockout to force undesirable conditions of employment upon us. He further filed charges of unfair labor practice of refusing to bargain. The bulk of attorney fees and costs mentioned above were made in defending ourselves against the outrageous attacks of this employer. The employers' charges of refusal to bargain were made because we considered it our God-given right to say "No" when the employer demanded that we agree to destroy conditions in the agreement which we had built up over a long period of years. Another expense which we failed to mention was \$3,500.00 spent out of the pockets of our members for food, rents, doctors, etc. during the 14-week period we were locked out in the street. Add this to the grand total, and you have \$7,538.60. Yes, for \$7,538.60 the Taft-Hartley law has protected the workers in our local. That, my friends, is expensive protection.

Another important item in the Taft-Hartley Act which time alone has proven to be highly detrimental

to employers and employees, is the forcing of the non-union man to work with the union man. The very nature of mankind resents any such forceful law, yet the Taft-Hartley Act tells us we must work with the non-union man. And if we refuse, we are "protected" by the act. The workers are protected all right . . . with law suits by the employe and the employer. Surely to goodness Taft and Hartley did not believe that officers of labor organizations had the divine power to control the human reactions of mankind in such instances. Taft and Hartley would have one believe that the officers of a labor organization are responsible for the conduct of their members in such a case. Let them serve as business agents, and they will change their tune. The conduct of such members is the result of human nature, and try to control that one if you can. Resentment on the part of union members in such cases results in low morale, low standards of work and low production, the cost of which can not fairly be estimated in dollars and cents, yet the Taft-Hartley Act protects the workers and the employer.

Time alone has told the story.

HOWARD DURAND, P.S.

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Tribute Paid Late Stephen Murphy

L. U. 654, CHESTER, PA.—It was a shock to all of the membership of our local when we received word of the sudden death of Brother Stephen Murphy. Steve had been hospitalized for a time and returned home apparently much improved.

Steve had been a member of L.U. 654 since 1939 at which time he transferred from L.U. 211 of Atlantic City. His genial disposition, quiet manner and spirit of good fellowship, won him many good friends not only in Atlantic City but in Chester as well.

It was my happy privilege as well as my father's, the late Bert Chambers, Sr., and my sons' Bert 3rd and Dan to have worked at the trade beside Steve during the years.

On behalf of L.U. 654, I express heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Murphy in her bereavement and although Steve has gone from our midst he will never be forgotten.

Our local union lost another charter member when Brother Harry Wade died suddenly at his home on December 30, 1951.

Brother Wade's death came as a distinct shock to all who knew him, and to we his friends, his departure left us stunned with grief.

It was my good fortune to know Brother Wade intimately all during the years of our local union's exist-

ence, and from the very start of our acquaintance a strong friendship developed between us that grew stronger with the years.

Harry's greatest attribute was courage. He was one of the most fearless persons I have ever known. He was of the type one would much prefer as a friend rather than an opponent, and in the true sense of the word I am sure he bore no malice nor had he any enemies.

Brother Wade will be missed by his friends and acquaintances, his services to our L.U. as an officer and active member in the early days of our being will long be remembered by we who knew and served with him.

We extend to his family our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss, may time and the many good things he did for others aid in easing their grief.

May his soul rest in peace!

The above obituaries were written by Brothers J. Herbert Chambers and James A. Dougherty respectively.

Construction work in Chester is holding its own with all members of L.U. 654 working.

The following members of L.U. 654 are "Men of the Month": Jim Dougherty—wise counsel, Joe Early—still waters, Louie Elfman—affable, Bob Fitch 1st—amiable, Bob Fitch 2nd—south of the border, Ted Flood—electrolysis expert, Harrison Frank—Tiny Tim, Walt Fisher—smiles, Ray Gaiser—sphinx, Don Gallie—likable, Tom Gardener, Jr.—smart lad, Tom Gardener, Sr.—professor, Dan Graham—always welcome, Ed Graham—circuit man, Johnnie Grasso—sincere, Harry Green—where art thou, Ed Hamilton, Jr.—pompadour, Ed Hamilton, Sr.—none better, Andy Hartlage—handy andy, Jim Hasslett—Atlas, Al Hatton—me and me brudder, Bill Hatton—me brudder and me, Bill Hinkle—harmonica virtuoso, Bob Highman—one of my boys, Joe Hipkins—nice guy, Jim Hoeffler—youth—its wonderful, Sam Hoeffler—apprentices' friend, Ray Horne—need more like him, Jim Huddy—a good Joe.

L.U. 28, Baltimore, Maryland: Thanks for the plug, Skip.

L.U. 664, New York, N. Y.: Your Press Secretary Joe Krikawa, is verrrry good.

B. S. ANDERSON, P. S.

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Wide Expansion For Telephone Co.

L. U. 664, NEW YORK, N. Y.—(Continued from last month.) The Brothers who are no longer working in this jurisdiction are giving an honest days work and are getting, under the present index, a fair wage. Their union Brothers expect, and

rightfully so, the same recognition when employed by Uncle Sam. It is the writer's contention that Uncle Sammy should set the example for others for adequate pay for like productivity through his Wage Stabilization Board. This board should follow the methods of collective bargaining as practiced by union working men and women. I dare say, that the strike of the Prudential Agents would not have taken place, if this board had acted promptly. That your insurance agent in the industrial, weekly payment plan field has not gotten and is not getting an adequate wage, is true. Your scribe knows the facts from close relatives who have worked as agents with the Prudential Insurance Company. Let us support these A.F.L. Brothers towards a successful conclusion, by refusing to mail or pay your weekly premiums to the district or home office. The agents get paid for collecting. It is their weekly salary. Don't sabotage their livelihood. *You won't lose your insurance.* The law protects you. Your contract says so.

The New York Naval Shipyard celebrated its sesquicentennial in 1951. One-hundred-fifty years of service to the nation—from the days of wooden ships to the great efficient dreadnaughts and carriers of today. And always union-craftsmen have participated in the construction.

"THERE'S GOOD NEWS TODAY." The New York Telephone Co. plans a \$180,000,000 expansion program for 1952, \$130,000,000 of which has been allocated for the metropolitan area. The program calls for 31 new central offices; 43 major additions to Central Offices, seven new telephone buildings and major enlargements to nine buildings. One million two-hundred-fifty thousand miles of wire in cable is added to the system. The new "Tandem" offices will provide faster service out of town. Yes, it's good news, for I.B.E.W. electricians will do the work.

At a regular meeting of Local 401, Sheetmetal Workers International Association, A.F.L., held on December 26, 1951, at Anselmo Cafe in Brooklyn, N. Y. our local was honored when President Ralph Henry of the Sheetmetal Workers presented Local 664's I.B.E.W. president, John Brandon as the principal speaker of the evening. At the conclusion of his address in which he touched on the wage situation in the Brooklyn Navy yard and commented on the habit of the Naval "brass" of dictating directly, orders to mechanics instead of through their immediate civilian superiors, the entire membership present expressed their appreciation with a thunderous round of applause.

"IN THE MAIL BAG."—A letter received from Brother Eugene R. Barlow who is in Casa Blanca work-

ing for the Atlas Construction Co. Brother Barlow states that its fun working there and expects to return to the States in August. He promises to tell us a few experiences. (I wonder if it's about the C A S BAA).

ON THE SICK LIST—Louie Nooger and Irving Polerstock. Brother Polerstock was confined to the Marine Hospital, Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y. with a heart condition; Brother Louie in his home. Get well fellows, soon.

IN MEMORIAM—It is with a heavy heart that your scribe reports the death of Brother Gatto, whose illness was reported previously in these columns. Brother Gatto seemed to be on the mend from his heart condition and attended the wedding of his daughter. But after enjoying these moments of happiness, he returned to Mineola, New York hospital where he had been previously confined, to thank the doctors and the nurses for their fine, humane treatment. While there, he collapsed and died.

We were also shocked to hear that Brother Harry Hendrickson dropped dead in the early hours of the morning in a waterfront street in Manhattan. Also heart attack.

It is these acts of the Supreme Being that bring home forcefully the thought that we should always conduct our daily life according to His Word, in brotherhood, tolerance and understanding.

To the families of these Brothers, may we say, "He is not dead. He has just gone away. Like the Lord, he has gone before thee to prepare a place for thee. Have faith and understanding, in this you will find comfort."

JOSEPH F. KRIKAWA, P.S.

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Festivities High- Light Yule Season

L. U. 684, MODESTO, CALIF.—Early in December cards went out to members of Local Union 684, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of Modesto and the surrounding territory, inviting them and their families to a Christmas party and dinner on December 15, 1951. One hundred ninety-six adults and 70 children responded and arrived at the Assyrian-American Hall in Turlock on Saturday evening, December 15th at the appointed time, looking forward to the good turkey dinner and the gay evening to follow. They were not disappointed. The dinner was delicious and kept everyone well occupied for about an hour. Before beginning the meal, each member was requested by Mr. E. R. McPherson to stand and announce his name and introduce his family. This was a

very good idea, because with a large membership covering such a wide area, there are a great many members who are unacquainted with each other. It also occasioned some hilarity, as when Max Lindblom introduced himself and family as from Turlock, Mr. H. T. Schendel protested loudly, "That is wrong—that guy is from San Quentin." Which is quite correct—Max is employed as an electrician at the famous penal institution, but still makes his home in Turlock.

A very fine program followed the dinner. Willard Kirchner served very ably as master of ceremonies. The program consisted for the most part of singing and playing of musical instruments by some of the talented children of members of the local. It was more or less impromptu and no record of the participants was kept. It was very much enjoyed and the performers all deserved and received generous applause.

When the program was finished, the big attraction of the evening arrived. Everyone had been too busy to listen for sleigh bells, but suddenly there was Santa Claus himself, straight from the North Pole, resplendent in red plush and with luxuriant long white hair and whiskers. The children watched in awe as he strode to the stage and took his stand close by the glittering Christmas tree. Then they rushed upon him and it didn't take long for the jolly Saint to distribute Christmas stockings containing candy and nuts, oranges and apples, and gifts to all the small eagerly reaching hands. This was the high point of the evening, of course, and after that the parents of the smaller children began to make preparations to leave, and it wasn't long until Santa left too, the lights went out on the Yule tree, and the curtain was rung down on one of the most enjoyable parties ever held by the local.

The members wish to give special thanks to the people whose work and time were spent in making the party a success:

First, to Mrs. Jimmy Gill, who cheerfully spent hours shopping for gifts, stockings, candy, etc., and filling the stockings. She was Santa's number one assistant.

To the Carpenter's Local for the use of their very fine Santa Claus suit.

To Welford Copley for understudying Saint Nick so capably.

To the committee whose efforts and time went toward making the party the success it was, and who decorated the tree and the hall. They were, Mr. David A. Schendel, president of Local 684, assisted by Mrs. Schendel and their son Austin, Mr. Edgar McPherson, treasurer of the local and Mrs. McPherson, Tex Crews and Jimmy Gill.

And lastly, to the members who at-

tended and seemed to enjoy it so much, and to the exceedingly well behaved little folk who added so greatly to the pleasure of everyone concerned.

We hope this fine occasion may be repeated again and again in the years ahead, and may even become a tradition among the members of Local Union 684, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

DAN CHADDOCK, B.M.

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Mid-season Scores For Bowling Teams

L. U. 697, GARY AND HAMMOND, IND.—Here is a list of our bowling teams and their scores up to January 1. As my letter for February was already mailed when I received this list from Brother P. Graber, bowling manager, this list is a month late.

Meade Electric Company team won 30, lost 15; Dooley St. Arnaud team won 25, lost 20; Hocker Electric team won 23, lost 22; Schreiber Electric team won 23, lost 22; Sweney Electric team won 23, lost 22; Kroll Electric team won 21, lost 24; Tri-City Electric team won 13, lost 32.

Our bowlers recently held a dance and party which was well attended and especially by the "young bloods" and their ladies. Music was furnished by a well known orchestra and the party continued into the "wee sma' hours." We have a fine group of young folks in our local.

I think it might be of interest to other locals in the I.B.E.W. if I write a few lines about our Local Union 697 district.

Local Union 697 was organized 40 years ago and for many years our membership remained at from about 75 to 140. Within 10 years we have increased our size to about 600. We have jurisdiction over Lake County, Indiana and we cover these towns, each a fair sized city: Gary, Hammond, East Chicago, Whiting, Hobart and Crown Point.

This locality is becoming the workshop of America with such huge plants as these: United States Steel, Inland Steel, Youngstown Steel, Sinclair Oil Company, Socony Vacuum Oil Company, Standard Oil Company, the largest complete refinery in the world, Budd Auto Body Corporation, a rapidly growing concern and a score of lesser corporations, all adding up to the productive potential of this great Calumet District.

We enjoy good relations with these several plants and their construction and expansion work is all handled by members of Local Union 697.

We have an efficient corps of officers in our local and lots of good material to draw upon if occasion so

demands. I believe a good majority of our members own their homes and are thereby well anchored here. We have a fine modern union hall and offices. We have a good apprentice training class for our embryo electricians, with good, able instructors and each year we graduate a group of these cubs after they have completed four years of training.

We recently received a timely letter from Brother Vice President M. J. Boyle, the text of which urged all I.B.E.W. members to cut out loafing on jobs, a practice that had quite a growth during the past war, and has continued to a certain extent up to the present.

I believe that this practice in Local Union 697 is the exception and not the rule. Loafing (and we have a far more colorful and emphatic word for it in our electrical trade jargon) harms a local union in many ways and one of the most harmful is the bad opinion that the general public forms of us. The loss of public prestige is a serious thing. Local Union 697 has a high standing in this part of the nation and we must protect it.

I wonder how it would be with this worried and troubled world if all the national leaders could get together, enjoy a funny show or party and have a hearty laugh and drop all of the hate and political trickery now rampant on this earth.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you,
Weep and you weep alone,
For this sad old earth has need of
its mirth,
It has troubles enough of its own."

HARRY B. FELTWELL, P.S.

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WSB Reviewing New Negotiations

L. U. 728, FT. LAUDERDALE, FLA.—We are enjoying very nice weather here in the Venice of America.

Our Negotiating Committee has put in some hours and effort to convince our electrical contractors that we are sorely in need of more pay and improved conditions. We are awaiting reply from the Wage Stabilization Board. Let us hope that the time and effort spent by the committee will not have been in vain. Members of this committee were: Brothers Bob Siems, Dick Bennett, Bob Morton, Arnold Trulson and Marshall Williams.

The news of the Harmony Club must be spreading around, we are having better attendance at our meetings. Brother Charlie Helton is planning a blow-out in the near future.

The "line" department of this local, at present, is way down. Our linemen have "flown the coop" for better paying jobs in the north.

New Headquarters for L.U. 728



These photographs show the interior and exteriors of the new home of L.U. 728, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Offices are in the front of the building and admittance to the auditorium is from the side. Jalousie windows provide ample ventilation and terrazzo floors contribute to easy maintenance.



Pictures of our building are enclosed. Our address is 201 SE. 24th St., in case any of you "snow birds" should "drift" in.

The following members were obligated in 1951: Richard Dunworth, James B. Webb, M. J. Davis, G. S. Kendrew, L. R. Daugherty, R. L. Smith, M. H. Hirst, R. J. Ackerman, Theo. Longobardi, R. W. Brooks; B. E. Tuten, W. O. Watson, J. W. Fleming, Paul Havanki, C. W. Gilchrist, L. H. Schoenberger, R. V. Hennen and J. T. Robles

The pictures of our new home were taken by Brother Dave Straker.

Greetings to our traveling members and to our members in the armed forces.

CARL A. BJORKMAN, P.S.

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Unity Must be National By-word

L. U. 850, LUBBOCK, TEXAS—"Let us all hang together or we shall all hang separately"—this great truth was spoken by the sage, Benjamin Franklin, during the colonial period

of our nation. The men of his day were wise and heeded this proverb.

It is just as true in 1952 as it was in 1776. If the majority of the people of the greatest nation ever to grace the face of the globe, do not hang together then we shall all hang separately. This is not only true as far as the different labor organizations are concerned, but is a genuine fact as far as the government is concerned also.

The people of the United States of America know more freedom than any other nation that has ever, since the written records can testify, been formed on this earth. Let us review a few of the events that have helped to bring more freedom to the people of America. Practically every state has enacted legislation putting a limit on hours and improving working conditions of women and children. Who was directly responsible? The concerted efforts of organized labor! The National Congress has passed laws to keep wages and hours from falling below a minimum. The Fair Labor Standards Act, Social Security Act, National Labor Relations Act, Workmen's Compensation and the

Wagner Act have all been a part of this freedom movement. All of this legislation beneficial to labor was made possible by the struggles of organized labor.

American working people that have hung together since about 1881 have improved conditions and gained more freedom for the American wage earner. Another great American, "Abe" Lincoln, said, "United we stand, divided we fall."

If all the eligible voters in organized labor in the United States will vote the right way in 1952, we will survive. If we are not willing to go along with the advice of the L.L.P.E. then we should join in a salute to Sam Gompers, William Green, D. W. Tracy, J. Scott Milne, M. J. Boyle, Frank Jacobs, and W. L. Ingram, and then start making preparations for our mutual doom.

JIM PRUITT, P. S.

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Officers for Lake Charles Announced

L. U. 861, LAKE CHARLES, LA.—I am new on the job, having been recently appointed press secretary of Local Union No. 861.

In the past, we have not been too active in our correspondence work to the JOURNAL, but we promise to be more active from here on out. In order to do so, I would like to bring all the Brothers up to date on the past events of Local Union No. 861.

To begin with, in our past election Brother Arneith, "Red" Lard was elected to the office of business manager and Brother H. B. Fournet to the seat of president.

There was a step forward taken last October when the formal presentation of the Charter of the Ladies Auxiliary of Local Union No. 861 was held. The Charter was presented to the Auxiliary President, Mrs. Grace Walters. During the month of December a Christmas Party was given by the Ladies Auxiliary for the entire membership and their families. It was a joyous event for young and old alike. Even Santa (Brother A. P. Landry) was there. Cakes and candies were prepared and given by the ladies.

That, Brothers, is the joyous side of Local Union No. 861. But, let us not forget the most important things. Our agreement is before the Wage Stabilization Board awaiting action. We also have a committee working on the revision of our bylaws and I am sure that they will do a good job.

Thus, Brothers, is Local Union No. 861, a fine branch of a great International Organization, looking out for the working man and standing for unity and brotherhood.

SAM M. LOFASO, P. S.

Extensive Highway Improvements Needed

L. U. 953, EAU CLAIRE, WIS.—When we read this in the Journal I hope the weather will have improved. We have just had two days of blizzard and today the temperature is in the minus twenties. Why didn't I stay in Tucson or Long Beach or most any of the places we were visiting during the first part of January?

I didn't get to the right places at the right times to call on as many business agents as I had planned. There was just too much to see and too many places to try to get to in so short a time. I'll not bore you with a lot of travel stuff, but I do seriously recommend a southern vacation in the winter time.

In some places we found wonderful highways. In some places they were seriously in need of rebuilding to handle present day traffic. It is very noticeable that the amount of highway improvement is not beginning to keep pace with the increased highway traffic. One of the big reasons for this lag in highway progress is because a large amount of gasoline tax money is not being used for highway purposes but is being siphoned off for other purposes. In some parts of the country highway funds are used to build and maintain miles of cattle fences along both sides of the highways. In other cases some gasoline tax money is used for a variety of purposes. Our nation is in serious need of a master national highway plan.

It is that time of the year again to start work in improving our labor agreements. Suggestions and help is needed from every member. Criticism is cheap, we get lots of that but not enough good ideas and support of those ideas. The members who haven't been at union meetings lately should take their turn at running the union for a while. If you arrive at the meeting hall a little early you can probably get a pretty good seat. Then if you build up a good attendance record and serve on committees, etc. you will stand a pretty good chance of being elected to office next year.

SHORTY PRESTON, Vice President

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New Flood Wall Protects Parkersburg

L. U. 968, PARKERSBURG, W. VA.—We are in the midst of a devastating flood which has the surrounding territory completely inundated and for the first time Parkersburg is not experiencing the terrific loss of property that accompanies a swollen river. The local did all the electrical work on the six million dollar flood wall which is giving us all a sense of security.

Local 850 Makes Service Awards



Service awards representing 185 years of service were presented at the regular January meeting of Local 850, Lubbock, Texas. Pictured, left to right, are: J. C. Sharpe, business manager, making the awards to J. W. Ellis, 25 years, L. L. Pettit, 10 years, R. D. Du Bois, 10 years, A. B. Bryant, 10 years, H. B. Bishop, 15 years, C. G. Hendrick, 10 years, U. L. Huckaby, 10 years, George G. Hamilton, 10 years, and L. B. Rowan, 10 years. Not pictured are Tom Ansley, 25 years, T. H. Crawford, 10 years, C. R. Harrison, 10 years, R. H. Lowrey, 10 years, W. R. Stockton, 10 years, and R. R. Sullins, 10 years.

The 100 million dollar Sporn Plant at New Haven, West Virginia, just turned their fourth generator on the line. This brings their total output up to 600,000 k.w.

The local was host to the West Virginia State Electrical Workers' Association January 20, 1952. Locals from Ohio, Maryland, and Virginia were also present. At the morning meeting an open discussion was held between the contractors of NECA and representatives of the local unions from throughout the State. Many problems of mutual interest were discussed. Plans were laid to try to secure all of the electrical work that some of the utilities are now performing. This is the first time we have had a good representation from the Contractors at our State meeting.

In most parts of the country—towns, cities, counties and states—people are beginning to study lists of candidates for elections to public offices. Regardless of how small or unimportant that office may seem which the candidate is seeking, it must be remembered that he is serving the people, and his decisions affect all of us. Therefore it is every one's responsibility to himself and his family to study the candidate before he casts his vote. Also it is your responsibility to go to the polls. A Government of the people cannot be for the people if voters themselves sit back and allow political machines to place their favorites into office. So don't be a goat—Go Vote.

WILLIAM MEES, P.S.

Contribution Aids Stricken Children

L. U. 1013, HARTFORD, CONN.—In response to an appeal by the Newington Home and Hospital for Crippled Children, Local Union 1013 presented the hospital with two "Collapsi-Cots" for use by the 35 Legg-Perthes patients confined there. The cots will enable youngsters stricken with the disease to move about under their own steam, since they cannot sit, kneel or stand. The disease, a hip condition, which necessitates immobilization of the patient for a period of three years, attacks children under 12 years of age.

The "Collapsi-Cot" is a device, lightly but ruggedly constructed, which has two wheels which permit easy movement. It offers a higher degree of patient handling convenience than ever achieved before and is designed to function where other litters cannot. It serves as a flat stretcher, transfer chair, convalescent lounge and for a multitude of other uses, since it has a telescopic construction which permits instant adjustment and positioning to meet every requirement. At full size, the cot is 72 inches long, 20 inches wide and stands eight inches from the floor but can be reduced to 45 inches in length, 20 inches in width and two and one-quarter inches in thickness.

Local 1013 is the first group to respond to the hospital's appeal.

EUGENE J. ST. PIERRE,
President.

Local 1013 Aids Crippled Children



The long three years of immobilization ahead of these youngsters will be made a great deal more endurable by the contribution of these "Collapsi-Cots", donated by Local 1013, Hartford, Conn., which will enable them to get around by themselves. These patients, representatives of the Local and of the Newington Home and Hospital for Crippled Children are, left to right: patients, Roland Archambault and George Leary; kneeling, Head Nurse Edith Newell and Frank Belf, committee chairman, and standing, Joyce Powers, Michael J. DiBella and John F. Miller.

Local's Veteran Treasurer Passes

L. U. 1095, TORONTO, ONT., CANADA—It is with sorrow and regret that we report the passing of Brother Leonard Buckley on Tuesday, January 15, 1952. The service was held in the funeral chapel at 2:00 p.m. Friday, January 18, 1952, and interment took place at the Scarboro Memorial Cemetery.

The members of L.U. 1095 extend their sincere condolence to Mrs. Buckley and her family. It will be some time before the memory of Brother Leonard Buckley is dimmed. Brother Buckley was a charter member of L.U. 1095, and its treasurer for many years.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our hope that Brothers William Dunnett and George Davies will have recovered from their many months of illness before this letter appears in print.

Since the beginning of the year, Toronto has been in the throes of a Street Railway strike. The strike is

the first on the publicly owned Street Railway (T.T.C.) since its inception over 30 years ago. If the demands of the Street Railway Workers Union (A.F.L.) are met, a motorman will then earn as much per hour as a mechanic on the Canadian Railroads. This fact should be of help to the railroad workers in their demands in July of this year. As the members of L.U. 1095 are a railroad local whose hourly rate is well below that of kindred trades, our future negotiations will be followed with intense interest.

We are in complete agreement with the recent statements of some of the labor officials that it is the length of the negotiations that prove most onerous to the rank and file of organized labor.

ROBERT P. CRETNEY, P.S.

Oklahoma Outlaws Powder-powered Tools

L. U. 1141, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.—The past several weeks have been rather quiet as far as em-

ployment for Local 1141 is concerned and several of our members are working in other places at the present time. However, there have been other activities which I would like to report.

Through the efforts of our officers and the fine cooperation of the membership, we now have organized and in full operation, a credit union for Local 1141. Another step forward to extend greater benefits to our members.

On January 19, Local 584 of Tulsa was host to the State Building Trades Convention, at which Brother George Shaull, business manager of that local, presided. In view of the good work and closer relations he has created among the Building Trades Crafts of the state, the delegates unanimously reelected him to serve another term as their president.

It should be mentioned here, in answer to the query of Local 11, that the State Building Trades Convention passed a resolution condemning the powder-actuated tools and went on record as doing all they possibly can to have the tool made prohibitive by state law at the next session of our Legislature.

On January 12, Business Manager Rushing presided over a meeting of the Oklahoma State Electrical Workers Association at our hall. This was a well attended and very successful meeting at which plans were formulated to coordinate the efforts of all our I.B.E.W. locals in the state to continue to do our utmost in obtaining favorable legislation on the statute books and especially to oppose any anti-labor bills. I am proud to say that Oklahoma is still one of the few states in the union which does not have any anti-labor laws on its books. This by no means indicates that all is well and that we should take it easy, but that we must continue to work all the harder, for we know the forces of our enemy are striving by every means within their power to take away the hard won rights of the working people. It is indeed grievous to note how many of our poor misled lawmakers over the country are usurping the rights of labor through legislation.

It is up to all of us, acting collectively and individually, to take a greater and more determined action in the realm of politics to overcome those who would destroy us and to give the rightfully expected support to those whom we know to be our friends.

J. J. CALDWELL, R. S.

Local 1306 Observes Tenth Anniversary

L. U. 1306, DECATUR, ILL.—On January 19, 1952, Local Union No.

1306 observed its tenth anniversary with a dinner and dance in the ball room of the Hotel Orlando, Decatur, Illinois. More than 300 members and guests were in attendance. Special guests were the executive officers of the Illinois Power Company, whose employees Local Union No. 1306 represents as bargaining agent.

Many Brotherhood visitors were present to help us celebrate the occasion. Two distinguished Brotherhood officials, International President Tracy and Vice President Boyle, were prevented from attending at the last moment due to important business requiring their presence in Washington and Chicago. However, International Secretary Milne gave us a fine talk, which was much appreciated by the members and company officials alike. In his talk, Mr. Van Wyck, President of the Illinois Power Company, likened the company and the local union as two organizations starting out together at about the same time, that is, the Illinois Power Company became an independent operating utility, free of holding company connections, at about the time Local Union No. 1306 was organized. One of our members, Brother D. A. Hoover, wrote a poem embodying this theme, and it was well received. Throughout the talks the main line of thought was of cooperation and understanding on the part of both parties, which Brother Milne emphasized was the keystone in building "our Industry."

Other Brotherhood guests and well wishers were: Brother Gerald Baldus, International Representative, Chicago; Brother J. O. Jones, business manager; L. U. 702, West Frankfort; Brother W. R. Boyd, business manager, L. U. 51, Springfield; Brothers C. Soszynski, J. Shanks, and C. Lindstrom, president, vice president and financial secretary, respectively, of L. U. 1427, Chicago; Brothers A. C. Kohli and John H. Herbrig, business manager and financial secretary, respectively, L. U. 146, Decatur; and Brother Charles L. Smick, recording secretary, L. U. 513, Decatur.

As a matter of information to the readers of "Local Lines" we are departing from the account of our anniversary celebration to give them a bit of our history. Local Union No. 1306 was chartered on January 12, 1942, as a Utility Office Workers local and was the first one organized as such in the Sixth Vice Presidential District, if not in the entire Brotherhood. In addition to being the oldest UOW local in the Sixth District it also has the largest territorial jurisdiction, an area roughly 150 by 300 miles. The local union headquarters are in Decatur, where its affairs are centrally and conveniently administered. The local union has 15 component local units located at Belleville, Bloomington, Centralia, Cham-

Tenth Anniversary of Decatur Local



Above, seated at the speakers' table at the tenth anniversary dinner of L.U. No. 1306, held in Decatur, Illinois, January 19, 1952, are left to right: B. B. Barber, Ralph Anderson, Executive Board members; J. C. Leigh, Financial Secretary; P. T. Schroeder, Vice President; Rev. E. J. Morgan, S.J.; H. C. Cravens, President; J. Scott Milne, International Secretary; Thomas D. Sheffield, Business Manager; Allen Van Wyck, President of Illinois Power Company; Gerald Baldus, International Representative; Dr. R. E. Willis, Mayor, City of Decatur; Helen M. LaForce, Recording Secretary; W. L. Emmons, Treasurer; Cecelia M. Fox and H. L. Blythe, Executive Board members. Below, standing before a large map showing the jurisdiction of L.U. No. 1306, are left to right: Gerald Baldus, International Representative; J. Scott Milne, International Secretary; Thomas D. Sheffield, Business Manager; and H. C. Cravens, President. Many happy returns.



paign, Danville, East St. Louis, Galesburg, Granite City, Hillsboro, Jacksonsville, Kewanee, La Salle, Mt. Vernon, Peoria, and Sparta. Each local unit has its own officers.

Back to the anniversary party. After the dinner and speaking, the ballroom was cleared and an evening of dancing was enjoyed by our members and company guests alike.

W. L. EMMONS,
Secretary, Executive Board

Texas Local 1342 Reports Progress

L. U. 1342, GREENVILLE, TEX.— This being our first attempt, we will report the events since we organized January 1, 1943. We are happy to say that we have almost tripled our wages. Our working conditions have been improved each year. Our union has been kept organized 100 per cent. We wish to express and extend our

Members of Local 1402 Bowling League



These girls are members of Local 1402, Pittsburgh, Pa., and of the Steel City Electric Company's Girls Bowling League. They are, bottom row, left to right: Pat Mielcarek; Ann Hatala; Jackie Seders; Dolores Dabrowski; Kay Roberts; Ann Kralosky; Blondine Goyda. Second row, left to right: Mary Gray; Lucille Lark; Sally Black; Mary Vistein; Betty Pender; Mary Gonchar; Audrey Pagani; Mary Bruzda; Mary Kralosky; Ann Hilliard. Top row, left to right: Eileen Aliff; Joan Collins; Ann Schwartz; Peg Peyton; Betty Hagan; Frances Jones; Tillie Terak; Elma Khalil; Mary Goril.

sincere appreciation to the International Office for their cooperation. We also give thanks to Vice-President W. L. Ingram. Last but not least, we are grateful to W. J. Cox, who has been a wonderful representative. Officers elected and installed June 5, 1950 are: President, Beula Winsett; Vice-President, Leta Money; Financial Secretary, Mary Joe Rudd; Recording Secretary, Marie Hamilton; Treasurer, Marie Money; Business Manager, Opal Hudson. We would like to state that they have done a fine job.

The local union and telephone employee's funds made possible an enjoyable Christmas banquet and dance at the Country Club. Over 150 were present. Gifts were exchanged. Honored guests were Representative W. J. Cox and wife, and Mr. J. C. Paxton, president of the Greenville Telephone Co. Invocation was given by J. C. Paxton. We regret that W. L. Ingram and wife were unable to be with us.

OPAL HUDSON, B. M.

Excellent Progress At Busy Navy Yard

L. U. 1383, BALTIMORE, MD.—Hello, Brother members, friends and co-workers—your Press Secretary Sears reporting once more. Glad to quote about the wonderful progress we are making at the Yard. May it continue to be the busy little Navy Yard and grow and grow and grow.

I want to take this means to thank our Recording Secretary, Robert L.

Walter, for the wonderful report he sent in for the January issue of our JOURNAL and did you notice that photograph of most of the Electrical Department crew? All the members were not present when the picture was taken as they were off that day or on night shift. As the weather opens up we expect to have more pictures of various scenes of activities and interesting items that confront us

from time to time. Your scribe will have to leave a lot of tools home in order to make room for his camera and flash bulbs in his tool box. How about that? What we will think of next is anybody's guess. Of course we must give our report. Whether it be in writing or photography, giving you the facts is really what counts. Along with the other jobs we have at the Yard are some lightships that are being converted from steam to diesel engine drive and rewiring same.

Brother Kenneth Kisiner has been promoted to job supervisor. Also glad to report from our shop committeemen that through their diligence and successful effort we were able to obtain a 29-cent per hour increase for our high-tower crane operators, which puts them on an equal basis with all the east coast Navy Yard crane operators. Congratulations, boys. Hope your morale is as high as your cab. See what I mean? Now with spring around the corner, our Entertainment Committee is stirring up something. Who knows? It may be an oyster roast or party. We shall see. Nevertheless, keep your dues paid up and in good standing.

See you next month.

REUBEN SEARS, P. S.

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L.U. 1402 Has Active Bowling League

L. U. 1402, PITTSBURGH, PA.—The Steel City Electric Company Girls' Bowling League is made up of 30 girls who work or have worked for the company in the past. The Steel City Company furnishes the girls

New Officers for New Local 1471



These are the officers of the newly-chartered Local 1471, Omaha, Nebr., covering TV servicemen: front row, left to right: James Hurd, Executive Board member; Robert K. Garrity, International Representative; C. E. McCollum, Vice President, and Robert Hill, Executive Board member. Back row, left to right: Jess Goben, Recording Secretary; John Babich, Financial Secretary and Treasurer; Harrison Rae, President; Gordon E. Beck, Executive Board member; and George C. Broadfoot, Executive Board member.

with bowling dresses and blouses and I might add that each and all look very chic, as they amble up to the foul line and fire away.

The girls get together on each Friday night at 8 p.m. at the Brighton Bowling Alleys for this weekly sport of "Murdering the Maples."

The officers of the league for the past two years are as follows: Betty Pender, president; Tillie Terak, secretary, and Gertrude Kitlerer, treasurer. Mary Kralosky leads the league with a 121 average and Betty Pender is second with a 120 average and Blondine Goyda takes third place with a 111 average.

High single game is held by Betty Pender with a 187.

Mary Kralosky holds high 3-game with a 454.

The league has a "150" club. Any girl that bowls "150" or over receives a dollar for each "150" score at the end of the season.

Now here's a poem that was made up in hurry, And after Betty reads it I'll have to scatter and scurry.

Poem

Those poor little pins what a beating
they take
When those girls let'er fly you think
they might break
But they stand up for frames three
strikes and three spares
As you see them go down they have
very few cares
Then you hear a great din as the
boys shout surrender
For coming to the foul line is Fire-
ball "Pender"
There's a hush over the crowd as she
chooses her ball
As she stands aiming, so slender and
tall
The brave pins seem to shake and to
shutter
But a mighty groan goes up as the
ball hits the gutter
But Betty just smiles as though no-
thing was wrong
For it must have just slipped, in her
heart was a song
For the second one went down so
straight and so true
But the little son of gun went right
on through.

"Buzz" SCHWARTZ, P. S.

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Sen. H. C. Lodge, Jr. Addresses Membership

L. U. 1505, WALTHAM, MASS.—United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., outstanding member of the Committee on Foreign Relations and national manager of the Eisenhower-for-President move, addressed the membership on January 27 in the swank Dorothy Quincy Suite of the John Hancock Building, Boston, at a special meeting.

Introduced by the business man-

ager and flanked by the entire Executive Board and officers on the platform, the Bay State Senator outlined his ideas of what a united people can do to make the nation a better place in which to live.

"But events of recent years have taught us that no domestic program, no matter how well-intentioned, can ever succeed while corruption rots the sinews of the nation," he said.

In a recorded interview with Martin Toll, news editor of Station WCRB, Senator Lodge prior to the address to our membership said that he believed General Eisenhower would be nominated on the first ballot at the forthcoming Republican national convention.

In a departure from a straight and narrow GOP path he declared that all the polls show that the majority of young people prefer the democratic party, and the majority of younger people prefer Eisenhower. "Put those figures side by side and it seems that Ike's nomination will be the rejuvenation of the Republican party," Senator Lodge said.

While the local has not committed itself to the support of any presidential candidate as yet, the other side of the picture will be seen at the February regular meeting when Congressman John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts, member of the Committee on Education and Labor, will be the guest of the local.

David J. Coady, Jr., vice-president and chairman of the entertainment committee, announced that a call for talent for a minstrel show has resulted in about 75 names submitted by volunteers.

"We hope to be able to start rehearsals real soon," he said, "under the direction of Leon Mayer, a long-time minstrel show director. The event will take place right after Lent with the show to be presented in Waltham,

Local 1505 Tribute to Servicemen



In silent tribute to three cablemakers who are serving their country in uniform is this patriotic display of their photos and shellacked gloves at the Waltham Raytheon plant. The honored brothers are Joe Fitzgerald, Jake Loughlin and Mike Christopher, all of the Local 1505.

Quincy and other Greater Boston sites."

Assisting him on the committee are Yolanda Mycue, President Walter J. Brown, Frank W. Hunter, James F. Sullivan, Albert O. Nicolazzo, Charles J. Anastasia, Frank Rombola, Melvin D. Eddy and William J. Murphy.

On January 23, Yolanda Mycue of the Quincy plant of the Raytheon Receiving Tube Division, was named to the Executive Board.

Your press secretary and Forrest E. McNabb, legislative representatives, have been active in attending State House hearings and have made sure that the full weight of our 12,000-member local went behind labor-sponsored bills.

Again the local will sponsor a \$500-scholarship award for some brother, sister, son or daughter of a member in good standing, with the only requirement that the student be a high school senior. In charge of the scholarship program is Melvin D. Eddy and rules will be announced shortly. Last year's winner of the Lolius B. Connors Memorial Scholar-



Jim Sullivan, steward in the Bleachery section of the Raytheon plant in Waltham, Mass., actually can't play the piano but such good-natured joking, dancing and refreshments seem to be the solution to a better turnout of members at meetings of Local 1505.

ship was Eileen Costello, currently a freshman at Framingham State Teachers College and who is leading her class in marks.

In attendance at a one-day institute sponsored by the United Community Services and the AFL to discuss "Off the Job Problems of the Worker" were William Anderson, Tom Phillips, Marion Smith and Gino Infascelli.

ALLEN F. WELLS, P. S.

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Management Joins In Mourning Member

L. U. 1514, HANSON, MASS.—In the past several years, when one of our well-loved fellow workers passed to his eternal rest, the firm paid no apparent attention. Now we have Fulton Eldridge as our plant manager and we appreciate his sharing in our recent loss. On January 25th this item appeared on our bulletin board:

"He was our friend. All had a good word for him and he had a good word for all. His pleasant manner, friendly voice, and happy smile will long be remembered. Wheeler people are deeply saddened by the sudden and unexpected death of their boy, Donald Buckley. In keeping his memory this plant will observe a moment of silence at three o'clock this afternoon. All activity will stop. Donald Buckley is at rest."

There followed a notice of the place and hour of his funeral and was signed by Fulton Eldridge, plant manager.

There is little to add to the above eulogy. But as James Whitcomb Riley so touchingly wrote, we can "Think of him still as the same, I say, He is not dead, he is just away."

Bill Munroe is convalescing at his home after having a steel splinter removed from his windpipe. The accident occurred while he was at work in the fluorescent press room and a local doctor sent him to the hospital where it was necessary to cut the windpipe to remove the needle-like splinter. It required several stitches to close the wound.

We political minded women of Building A are interested in nominating a woman for president. We believe that friend Joe would be willing to share the secrets behind the Iron Curtain with a woman and so we have nominated Marion Hovey. We believe she could get us more wages, fewer hours and several other concessions that do not seem to be included in the budget.

Omar Richard, Louis Zachille and several other old-time members of our local have not been receiving the JOURNAL for the past months. We know they are members in good standing and we are hoping that whoever is responsible for the revision of the list of members will look into the matter. The Journal is good, and we want everybody to enjoy it with us. (Editor's Note: "Thanks for them kind words, lady." We'll check on the Brothers mentioned.)

We are told that Angie Griffiths has recovered from her illness.

Sambo is absent with the grip. Mickey also, and we wonder if the same bug bit both of them.

Here we are getting into another year, and as we sometimes wonder why we find living so irksome, we must remember what Dr. Harry Benjamin wrote in "American Medicine," "The problem is not to add years to our life, but to add life to our years."

VERDA M. LANE, P.S.

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First Appearance Of Canadian Local

L. U. 1619, QUEBEC, P. Q., CANADA—This is Local 1619's first appearance in the JOURNAL, and we therefor wish to extend our greetings to all the members of I.B.E.W. This is also my first assignment. I hope I won't prove to be a disappointment. You'll be hearing from us regularly from now on, in what I'll do my best to make an interesting column.

An extension has been added to the G. E. Company making it almost twice its original size. By the time this article is published, we expect all the new departments to be in full operation and thus bringing to an end a slack which we have been experiencing since Christmas.

At our last local meeting, which was the first for '52 we elected two new vice-presidents namely Miss Rolande Labbé and Donat Samson.

Our president is Armand Michaud whom we are pleased to say is very efficient as is Rosaire Laverdière, our secretary treasurer.

On February 13, the anniversary of the signing of our agreement all employees will receive a three-cent increase in salary according to an agreement with the company.

Well I guess that just about covers the beat for this month except that there's still a lot of room for more members at our local meetings, so let's have a record crowd next month.

WILLIAM O'GRADY, P.S.

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Local 1710 Aids In Blood Drive

L. U. 1710, LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

—L. U. 1710 is one of the new manufacturing locals which have recently joined the ranks of the I.B.E.W. This local has made the establishment of a blood bank one of the first orders of the day. Pictured on this page are some of the first contingent from the Globe Lighting Fixture Company, 2121 South Main Street, Los Angeles.

Here Juan Gomez, left, points to receptacle which Walter A. Smith, Globe steward, holds up for a demonstration at the Red Cross Blood Center, 925 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles.

Carmen Sanchez is the victim as fellow employees in mock solemnity give her the "full treatment" as she prepares to do her bit. Juan Gomez improvises a fan as Jose Hernandez assists in holding Carmen's head, while James Le Blanc (right) offers a cup of water. Red Cross Nurse Loretta Czubak isn't quite sure she approves of all this monkey business.

But it was all just a gag for the benefit of the photographer. A few minutes later this group and several more Globe employees had become donors.

Juan, left, has been a punch press operator at Globe for the last three and one-half years. He lives at 3738 1/4 Crawford Street, Los Angeles. Walter Smith, next in the picture, came to us from Local 18 and after several years of pole hiking has decided to settle down on a maintenance job. He makes his home at 351 East 61st Street, Los Angeles. Carmen, on the table, has been a glass inspector at the plant for three and one-half years. She lives at 3900 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles.

Jose, who lives at 222 East 25th Street, Los Angeles, is a silk screen operator and Salvador is in the Packing Department.

Jimmie, of 220 East 55th Street, Los Angeles, a four-year man at the shop, is a shipping clerk.

Other Globe employees who were just outside the camera's view are

Contributions to Blood Bank by Local 1710



The members of Local 1710, Los Angeles, Calif., are contributing their full share to the current drive for blood so urgently needed by our armed forces. The participants in the scene are identified in the accompanying article.

William Jones 2124½ South Central Avenue, Los Angeles, spray painter, and George Walker, 1214 East 16th Street, Los Angeles. George has been in Globe's sheet metal department for the last five years. Frank Saliani, local union president, was on hand to do his share.

The Globe Company is paying each employe for time lost in visiting the Blood Center.

L. R. DREW, I.R.

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Our Auxiliaries

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1952 took place at our annual meeting and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Walter Scott; Vice President, Mrs. Charlie Shallow; Secretary, Mrs. Stephen Janes; Treasurer, Mrs. Harry Baird; Press Secretary, Mrs. Ronald Griffin; Sick Committee, Mrs. Lewis Arnold and Mrs. William Janes.

We hope to contribute to this column more frequently in the future and wish to extend our greetings to all Sister auxiliaries.

MARY GRIFFIN, P. S.

L. U. 861 Lake Charles, La.

The Carpenters' hall was the scene of a gay Christmas party Thursday, December 20, 1951. The party was sponsored jointly by the I.B.E.W.

Local 861 and the Ladies' Auxiliary of Local 861 for the children and members of both organizations.

The hall was appropriately decorated for the Yule season by a committee from the Ladies' Auxiliary. There was a beautiful tree under which gifts for the children and grown-ups were placed along with candy and fruit. Old Saint Nick watched over the presentation of gifts and answered the great number of questions by the young hopefuls.

Brother Si Dugas, International Representative of the I.B.E.W., acted as master of ceremonies for the party. The program of songs and aerobatics and short talks was very enjoyable.

The drawing for the electric automatic toaster given by the auxiliary was done by Santa Claus. The proud winner was Mrs. Barbara Seivers.

After the program refreshments of cake, coffee and cold drinks were served.

The expressions of the children and grown-ups alike proved the success of the party and it is hoped the spirit will last throughout the year.

(Editor's Note: Photo will appear next month.)

MRS. P. E. CARPENTER, P. S.

Are
YOU
Registered?

The Waymen

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000 mark and is increasing daily.

On October 30, 1951, a beautiful new home costing more than \$600,000 was dedicated. This modern office building will long stand as a memorial to the courageous men who refused to be discouraged but fought through the years to bring their organization to the place where it stands today.

This is a proud organization, a noble organization, with fine traditions behind it and a promise of greater achievement ahead. We are happy to salute it this month and tell a little of its story to our membership.

We acknowledge with thanks the kind assistance and cooperation of Mr. Emil Plondke, director of public relations and associate editor of the Brotherhood's splendid *Journal*, in providing us with material and information for this article.

A Big Business

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one of our business managers in a manufacturing local wrote: "Manufacturing has become a field of practically unlimited scope. There is much work to be done. It will take time and patience. We are acquiring the knowledge and experience and are a formidable and determined force obtaining for our members the right to work and raise their families at the highest standards of living in the world."

We are proud of our members in manufacturing and what they have accomplished. We are happy to tell a part of their story to our entire membership this month.

We acknowledge with thanks the kind cooperation of the membership and staff of Local Union 892 and their employers and particularly the assistance of Mr. George T. Quinn, business manager of Local Union 892 and his assistant, Mr. Joseph Matkovich. Without the splendid help of all these people, this article could not have been written.

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The Leprechaun

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"It was the Leprechaun," said Nora, "he made my wish come true." And Granny agreed with her, but Mother and Daddy, while they were very happy, were still not convinced that the Leprechaun had had anything to do with it.

But just then Nora's Daddy saw something lying on the kitchen floor. "Why, what's this?" he said. And then he gasped in wonder and amazement, for the object he held in his hand was a tiny green cocked hat with a pointed top, no bigger than his thumb.

He held it out to Nora. "It was the wee Leprechaun, Nora darlin! And he dropped his little cap. Bless him and you!"

And that, little boys and girls, is how one dear, small girl who believed in "the little people" caught a Leprechaun, or so they say!

Comment by Readers

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for amateur use. A good many amateurs prefer to design their own transmitters and use the surplus equipment for parts.

Warning: If anyone gets a transmitter converted for operation be sure to familiarize yourself with the Communication Commission's laws. . . . In every country a license is required to operate a transmitter. This requires an examination on technical and legal knowledge of radio and its communication regulations, and the ability to send and receive Morse International Code. (In the U.S. the required speed is 13 words per minute and 5 words per minute for the limited novice license.)

The laws are pretty severe on anyone who goes "bootlegging".

T. VAN ABBEMA
L.U. 1399
Chicago, Illinois

Are
YOU
Registered?

Death Claims for January, 1952

L. U.	Name	Amount	L. U.	Name	Amount
1. O. (11)	William Bode	1,000.00	77	Don E. Aldrich	1,000.00
1. O. (31)	Nicholas C. Boileau	1,000.00	77	Lee R. McCullough	825.00
1. O. (31)	George J. Byrnes	1,000.00	98	James P. Temple	150.00
1. O. (32)	Alfred Carlson	1,000.00	103	John Francis Lydon	825.00
1. O. (32)	Richard Mitchell	1,000.00	103	James A. Moran	1,000.00
1. O. (33)	Patrick F. Morris	1,000.00	112	Audlin Beach	475.00
1. O. (33)	Pio N. Peret	1,000.00	121	Henry H. Stevens	1,000.00
1. O. (33)	Everitt Whittaker	1,000.00	122	William P. Orlet	1,000.00
1. O. (33)	Thomas C. O'Sullivan	1,000.00	125	Gordon E. Scott	1,000.00
1. O. (39)	George C. Cassard	1,000.00	134	Owen Benson	1,000.00
1. O. (111)	Richard C. Sherman	1,000.00	134	S. J. Drischmidt	1,000.00
1. O. (230)	Carl O. Sherman	1,000.00	134	Frank A. Gaffke	1,000.00
1. O. (230)	Herbert W. Friend	1,000.00	134	Walter Grogan	1,000.00
1. O. (313)	W. H. Koeh	1,000.00	134	Irvine J. Kahn	1,000.00
1. O. (339)	Frank J. Dickerson	1,000.00	134	Walter J. Mau	1,000.00
1. O. (400)	Charles H. Kenlin	1,000.00	134	William J. Powers	1,000.00
1. O. (400)	William P. O'Dea	1,000.00	134	Edwin F. Replinger	1,000.00
1. O. (400)	Smith A. Tuley	1,000.00	134	Adolph Scholtz	1,000.00
1. O. (413)	Philip R. Goetzmann	1,000.00	134	James J. Shamon	475.00
1. O. (460)	Al Fred Hicks	1,000.00	134	Walter G. Sydnor	1,000.00
1. O. (461)	Lester A. Rohland	1,000.00	134	Vernon C. Vance	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Charles Jansen	1,000.00	134	William Wedge	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Jack Burson	1,000.00	138	Ray F. White	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Arthur Evans	1,000.00	138	Bert Brown	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Herman Hartwig	1,000.00	138	James A. King	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Morris Greenberg	1,000.00	138	William G. Fleetham	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Frank DeCaro	1,000.00	138	Clyde C. Mason	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Robert W. Adams	1,000.00	138	Robert G. Dickson	300.00
1. O. (481)	Leslie P. Allen	1,000.00	138	John M. Harrigan	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	James W. Barber	150.00	177	Samuel A. Wibhaw	650.00
1. O. (481)	Charles Barnett	1,000.00	181	Dominick Summa	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Frank H. Carroll	1,000.00	215	Louis Granieri	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Charles H. Counts	1,000.00	246	R. H. Livingston	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Thomas Fleming	1,000.00	271	William R. Hogaboom	150.00
1. O. (481)	William Gavin	1,000.00	280	Leon Gale	650.00
1. O. (481)	Charles Kratz	1,000.00	295	Thomas T. Lyons	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Patrick Reidy	1,000.00	305	Fred W. Nye, Jr.	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	William A. Rowland	1,000.00	311	Earl C. Evans	475.00
1. O. (481)	John H. Sladek	1,000.00	323	Rudolph Griffs	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	John Shanley	1,000.00	349	Albert J. LaVigne	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	W. H. Nicholson	1,000.00	353	Leroy G. Nason	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	William H. Keefe	1,000.00	353	Percy E. Pickering	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	George Rochford	1,000.00	353	Franklin H. Wilson	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Harry Williams	1,000.00	357	Cecil W. Hoffman	825.00
1. O. (481)	John D. Miller	1,000.00	369	Sylvester J. Heintzman	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Clare D. Ely	1,000.00	379	Edward S. Kiser	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	James P. Reslerick	1,000.00	384	Jack W. Roberts	825.00
1. O. (481)	Byrd M. McCall	1,000.00	390	Charles E. Davis	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Edgar J. Frey	1,000.00	411	Charles A. Woodruff	475.00
1. O. (481)	William C. Reinowski	1,000.00	412	Louis H. Swan	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	J. G. Flanary	1,000.00	415	Marcus D. Chesier	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Waldo H. Poston	1,000.00	477	John P. Cullen	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	William C. Webber	1,000.00	479	Loren E. Davis	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Frank Demel, Jr.	1,000.00	494	Oliver C. Lindgren	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Marvin L. Robinson	1,000.00	494	Bernard J. Ouk	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Charles Croft	1,000.00	529	William H. Hawley	1,000.00
1. O. (481)	Herman H. Treffner	1,000.00	551	Davis E. Brecker	825.00
1. O. (481)	John Mayotte	1,000.00	558	Cecil D. Jenkins	825.00
1. O. (481)	J. Milton Chaney	1,000.00	558	Wallace B. Smyth	150.00
1. O. (481)	William R. Haverly	1,000.00	574	Chester Louis Banks	1,000.00
1	James G. Matthews	1,000.00	581	N. C. Miller	825.00
2	Leslie G. Graven	825.00	595	Leon Ramon Welter	825.00
3	Lucio Bossi	1,000.00	602	Carl C. Nollner	1,000.00
3	Walter Blum	1,000.00	604	Edward Koepfing	1,000.00
3	James J. Butler	825.00	606	H. G. Vanahin	1,000.00
3	Alfred G. Carrier	150.00	618	Frank C. Stary	825.00
3	John George Carson	1,000.00	634	A. E. Bass	1,000.00
3	George E. Carter	1,000.00	637	Phillip A. Chaffman	500.00
3	Anthony Cavallo	1,000.00	640	George A. Glenday	825.00
3	Michael P. Doris	1,000.00	648	Charles W. Oetrich	1,000.00
3	Robert E. Hansen	1,000.00	654	Stephen John Murphy	1,000.00
3	Thomas W. Howard	1,000.00	659	Clarence Mortensen	825.00
3	John T. Jonsson	1,000.00	659	Edwin C. Stewart	1,000.00
3	Thomas J. Keating	1,000.00	664	Michael A. Gatto	1,000.00
3	John J. Kibick	1,000.00	664	Harry L. Hendrickson	1,000.00
3	Nathan Levinsky	1,000.00	667	Mike Romaine Workman	1,000.00
3	Hans Markussen	1,000.00	680	Henry H. Bachman	1,000.00
3	Joseph G. Martin	1,000.00	701	L. F. Row	1,000.00
3	Robert C. Mathis	1,000.00	702	Paul E. Lynch	1,000.00
3	Benjamin J. Schroeder	1,000.00	713	John M. Moore	1,000.00
3	Charles K. Sonulis	150.00	716	Lee Bishop Downer	825.00
3	John J. Wieler	650.00	716	Leroy Bennet Gunn	1,000.00
3	William H. Booth	1,000.00	716	Daniel L. Hunter	1,000.00
6	George Heide	1,000.00	734	Raper V. Davis	1,000.00
9	Thomas E. Galloway	1,000.00	759	Thomas Kendrick	1,000.00
9	Kenneth F. Tasterher	650.00	759	Harry P. Ribbe	1,000.00
11	William A. Campbell	1,000.00	759	Lester J. Elrod	1,000.00
11	Clarence S. Patterson	1,000.00	759	James P. Hamard	1,000.00
11	George Philip Quinn	1,000.00	769	Albert E. McDaries	150.00
11	William Welchman	1,000.00	774	H. V. Nordenman	1,000.00
11	Kenneth R. Nash	300.00	812	George D. Seckinger	1,000.00
18	John W. Patterson	1,000.00	842	Alexander J. Herubin	1,000.00
18	Joseph B. Sharidess	1,000.00	849	Daniel J. LaChance	1,000.00
23	Frederic E. Cahill	1,000.00	880	John William Gennard	650.00
26	Fred L. Dorr	1,000.00	892	Karl H. Von Hacht, Sr.	825.00
27	Marshall Crawford	1,000.00	893	Eddie A. Gendron	1,000.00
31	Vincent J. Domen	1,000.00	903	Joseph H. Allman	1,000.00
31	Ernest A. Kendall	1,000.00	934	Robert E. Lee	1,000.00
31	Croxford C. Serman	650.00	948	John Sack	1,000.00
37	John J. Burns	1,000.00	949	Tyler Frank	1,000.00
37	Orville Kelley	1,000.00	950	John N. Gutter	1,000.00
40	Robert J. Heer	1,000.00	1021	James W. Stiles	825.00
48	Michael P. O'Connor	150.00	1029	Rosario Girard	1,000.00
52	James W. Bacworth	1,000.00	1096	Edward Willis	1,000.00
52	James P. Collins	1,000.00	1091	Ben E. Addison	1,000.00
57	Clarence A. Gray	412.50	1095	Leonard Buckley	1,000.00
58	Lloyd H. Strouffer	1,000.00	1131	James H. Hallagan	1,000.00
58	Lynn R. Warren	300.00	1225	Philip G. Jeffery	1,000.00
59	R. F. Stevens	150.00	1247	Norton T. Johnson	825.00
59	John W. Thaxton	1,000.00	1319	Ernest K. Wingard	300.00
65	Alfred R. Athin	150.00	1322	Alton B. Estes	1,000.00
65	Harry Evans	1,000.00	1393	Dane Hoss	475.00
65	George Snyder	1,000.00	1613	Carney L. Foster	475.00
73	Martin D. Williams	825.00			
76	Roy O. Johnson	300.00			
			TOTAL		\$204,779.10

IN MEMORIAM

Prayer for Our Deceased Brothers

Our Father, Who art in heaven, once more we come to Thee in our sorrow, for we have lost many of our members in the long sleep of death and we ask Thy mercy on those whose names are recorded here. Take them to their heavenly home O Lord and give them peace and rest and happiness through all eternity, for Jesus' sake.

We ask Thee too, Lord, to show compassion to the families of our Brothers and Sisters who have passed on. Death is bitter and difficult for them to accept in their grief and sorrow, but Thy love and understanding can make it bearable. Help them O Lord.

And remember us too, Father. We are weak and afraid, but Thy strength can make us strong. Strengthen us then Lord to do Thy will and to live our lives as You would like us to live them. Make us to so live and so work and so love that we shall never know the bitterness of death but only the joy and anticipation of "going home." Thank you God. Amen.

William G. Bode, L. U. No. 1

Born November 3, 1884
Initiated January 11, 1929
Died December 26, 1951

James G. Matthews, L. U. No. 1

Born March 9, 1883
Initiated March 26, 1907
Died January 10, 1952

George Heide, L. U. No. 6

Born February 6, 1890
Reinitiated August 8, 1936
Died January, 1952

Hal A. Tellier, L. U. No. 6

Born September 9, 1900
Reinitiated September 29, 1951
Died January, 1952

William H. Dennison, L. U. No. 11

Born October 7, 1893
Reinitiated November 8, 1944
Died January 19, 1952

W. B. Dahl, L. U. No. 18

Born March 28, 1886
Initiated May 7, 1917
Died January 12, 1952

James H. Hurst, L. U. No. 18

Born November 8, 1906
Reinitiated October 11, 1949
Died December 30, 1951

Carl H. Jones, L. U. No. 18

Born July 6, 1906
Initiated March 28, 1941
Died January 15, 1952

Joseph B. Sharpless, L. U. No. 18

Born January 4, 1887
Reinitiated December 14, 1938
Died December 27, 1951

A. M. Simpler, L. U. No. 18

Born December 6, 1896
Initiated February 12, 1945
Died January 13, 1952

Vincent J. Domen, L. U. No. 31

Born January 8, 1900
Initiated August 14, 1934
Died January 4, 1952

Croxford C. Sermon, L. U. No. 31

Born June 22, 1905
Initiated December 31, 1948
Died January 22, 1952

Walter R. Campbell, L. U. No. 40

Born July 1, 1888
Reinitiated March 17, 1927
Died December 5, 1951

Robert J. Heer, L. U. No. 40

Born May 23, 1894
Initiated May 11, 1926 in L.U. No. 292
Died January 3, 1952

Charles H. Kenlin, L. U. No. 40

Born August 4, 1885
Initiated September 28, 1923
Died December 20, 1951

William O'Dea, L. U. No. 40

Born July 18, 1871
Initiated July 18, 1917 in L.U. No. 83
Died December 24, 1951

Smith A. Tuley, L. U. No. 40

Born September 16, 1895
Initiated August 31, 1940
Died December 22, 1951

Oscar Ganz, L. U. No. 41

Born March 28, 1888
Initiated June 25, 1912
Died January 22, 1952

Philip Goetzmann, L. U. No. 41

Born October 28, 1884
Initiated May 14, 1929
Died December 30, 1951

Fred G. Waldorf, L. U. No. 41

Born February 12, 1892
Initiated March 21, 1910
Died January 13, 1952

Harry Evans, L. U. No. 65

Born August 30, 1886
Initiated July 24, 1936
Died December 21, 1951

George Snyder, L. U. No. 65

Born September 16, 1901
Initiated July 2, 1926
Died December 19, 1951

Bert Brown, L. U. No. 136

Born July 2, 1883
Initiated July 8, 1918
Died December 17, 1951

A. E. Ingram, L. U. No. 136

Born July 21, 1904
Initiated January 26, 1939
Died January 29, 1952

J. A. King, L. U. No. 136

Born November 17, 1890
Initiated May 29, 1923
Died January 6, 1952

Charles Harvey, L. U. No. 160

Born September 14, 1888
Initiated March 31, 1937 in L.U. No. 292
Died January 14, 1952

Clyde Mason, L. U. No. 160

Born November 10, 1892
Initiated March 23, 1937 in L.U. No. 292
Died December 20, 1951

Albert N. Olivera, L. U. No. 332

Born July 2, 1909
Initiated December 4, 1951
Died December 16, 1951

Albert J. La Vigne, L. U. No. 349

Born October 30, 1912
Initiated August 16, 1935
Died January 6, 1952

Percival E. Horn, L. U. No. 353

Born September 19, 1903
Reinitiated December 1, 1948
Died January 3, 1952

John D. Miller, L. U. No. 353

Born December 23, 1884
Initiated August 23, 1928
Died December 17, 1951

Franklin Wilson, L. U. No. 353

Born September 24, 1913
Initiated May 17, 1937
Died January 5, 1952

Everett C. Peterson, L. U. No. 381

Born October 24, 1907
Initiated June 27, 1947
Died January 11, 1952

Carl Cleo Nollner, L. U. No. 602

Born January 3, 1904
Initiated December 18, 1939 in L.U. No. 691
Died December 29, 1951

Edward Koepplinger, L. U. No. 604

Born March, 1890
Initiated March 9, 1940
Died January 5, 1952

Oran C. Lansdell, L. U. No. 611

Born February 20, 1919
Initiated March 22, 1950
Died December, 1951

George A. Glenday, L. U. No. 640

Born September 29, 1899
Reinitiated July 1, 1947 in L.U. No. 1186
Died December 8, 1951

Lester S. Corbin, L. U. No. 663

Born January 1, 1905
Reinitiated April 12, 1944
Died January 18, 1952

Charles Bergstrom, L. U. No. 675

Born September 12, 1907
Reinitiated January 7, 1941
Died December 13, 1951

Jean Mrozik, L. U. No. 713

Born October 3, 1907
Initiated March 25, 1947
Died December, 1951

Pauline Tamborski, L. U. No. 713

Initiated April 21, 1937
Died December, 1951

Roper V. Davis, L. U. No. 734

Born January 26, 1896
Initiated June 21, 1919 in L.U. No. 975
Died December 31, 1951

Alexander H. Herubin, L. U. No. 842

Born September 25, 1892
Initiated March 5, 1943
Died December 2, 1951

George H. King, L. U. No. 842

Born March 20, 1909
Initiated November 28, 1942
Died November 9, 1951

Harlen C. Jensen, L. U. No. 949

Born November 25, 1926
Initiated April 19, 1948
Died November 23, 1951

Paul Beaudoin, L. U. No. 1039

Born February 5, 1901
Initiated October 4, 1944
Died December 5, 1951

Robert Kean, L. U. No. 1039

Born September 21, 1896
Initiated January 20, 1943
Died November 17, 1951

Edward Willis, L. U. No. 1086

Born February 18, 1894
Initiated August 1, 1945
Died January 6, 1952

Oliver Dix, L. U. No. 1130

Initiated February 13, 1938
Died December 27, 1951

Frank A. Gallagher, L. U. No. 1153

Born June 9, 1900
Initiated November 15, 1951
Died January 12, 1952

Edmund Karls, L. U. No. 1461

Initiated June 26, 1946
Died December 22, 1951

Robert M. Porter, L. U. No. 1461

Born December 30, 1901
Initiated June 17, 1946
Died December 23, 1951

John P. Dailey, L. U. No. 1505

Born April 12, 1892
Initiated May 1, 1946
Died January 7, 1952

John Larson, L. U. No. 1505

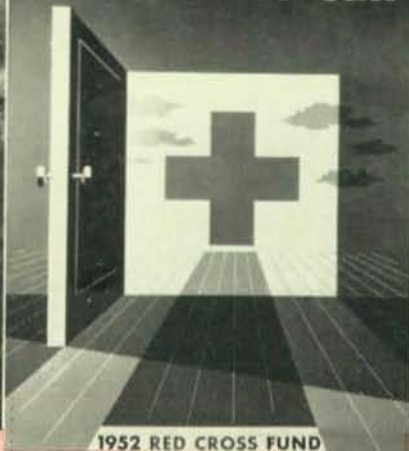
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